WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2014 Volume 72. No. 216 @SS 2014

平成12年4月5日 第三種郵便物認可 日刊(土日除く) 発行所 星条維新聞社 〒106-0032 東京都港区六本木7丁目23番17号 定価¥50 **50¢/Free to Deployed Areas** 

#### Inside

# Leno says no return to late night after leaving 'Tonight' Page 15

#### **MILITARY**

Navy probes cheating allegations on nuclear reactor training tests

Page 2

#### **AFGHANISTAN**

Analysis: Did Karzai hurt US relations by meeting with Taliban?

Page 4



#### **MILITARY**

Navv eves changes to promotions standards for petty officer posts

Page 3



## **Army recruitment fraud cost US millions**

By JON HARPER Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON - The Army is conducting an investigation into large-scale fraud tied to an Army recruitment program, Sen. Claire McCaskill, D-Mo., the head of the Senate Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight, disclosed

Monday, a day before she held a hearing on the scandal.

Investigators have found that \$29 million in taxpayer money has been lost to fraud, but that number could increase to nearly \$100 million by the time the probe is over, Maj. Gen. David Quan-tock, the Commanding General of U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command, told lawmak-

ers at the hearing Tuesday.

The Recruiting Assistance
Program began in 2005 at a time when the Army National Guard was struggling to meet its recruitment goals as violence in Iraq escalated. The program was created to provide financial incentives to National Guard members not on active duty, retirees and other civilians to

act as informal recruiters by encouraging family, friends and other acquaintances to join the National Guard.

These so-called "recruiting assistants" would refer potential enlistees to an Army recruiter, and if the person signed up, the recruiting assistant received a \$2,000 to \$7,500 reward.

SEE RECRUIT ON PAGE 2



Hungarian Milan Szabo passes by the Olympic rings as he trains at the cross-country center of the 2014 Winter Olympics in Krasnaya Polyana, Russia, on Tuesday. Cross-country skiing has been an Olympics fixture since the 1924 Chamonix Games.

## Perception outweighs ability as Chinese build blue-water fleet

By Seth Robson Stars and Stripes

Chinese aircraft carriers won't be able to compete with the combat power of the U.S. Navy anytime soon, but experts say that won't be obvious to many people when the great ships start to exercise, make port calls and respond to natural disasters in the Pacific

As the largest communist country and one of the most technologically advanced countries in the world, China is dead set on flexing its military muscle.

For decades, the U.S. Navy has controlled the world's waterways, in both size and strength. But China appears to be preparing to challenge U.S. supremacy by accel-

erating the construction of ANALYSIS a second aircraft carrier.
Plans for several more carriers - including one being

built at a shipyard in the coastal city of Da-lian — were announced by a senior Chinese official in January. China launched its first aircraft carrier —

the 74,406-ton Liaoning — just two years ago. **SEE FLEET ON PAGE 6** 



After launching its first aircraft carrier, above, two years ago, China appears to be bolstering its fleet, with plans for

## $\underset{\text{Of the day}}{\mathbf{QUOTE}}$

第3種郵便物設可

"He is playing with fire, because the mood in Washington and other capitals is increasingly frustrated."

- Michael Keating, a former U.N. deputy envoy to Afghanistan, on recent actions by Afghan President Hamid Karzai

See story on Page 4

## TOP CLICKS ON STRIPES.COM

#### The most popular stories on our website:

- 1. DOD staff on military flight delayed for hours by US Customs 2. Fort Carson officer accused of misconduct
- 3. Two Navy divers, out of reach 4. Navy to overhaul petty officer promotion standards
- 5. Serving Down Under: Australia offers military jobs to US troops facing separation

## COMING





#### TODAY IN STRIPES

American Roundup 16 Business 18 Classified 19, 21-22 Comics 20 Crossword 20 Crossword 20 Faces 15 Letters/Opinion 12-13 Sports 22-32 Weather 18 Wired World 14	
Wired World 14	

#### **MILITARY**

## **Recruit:** Army to probe all who received RAP funds

FROM FRONT PAGE

Similar programs were later adopted by the Army Reserve and the active-duty Army to boost their recruitment numbers.

The program appeared to be effective. The Guard began meeting recruitment goals, and during the years that the RAP was in place, almost 40 percent of Army Guard recruits enlisted through the program.

It was later revealed that Army recruiters, recruiting assistants and other Army personnel were claiming to have recruited people that were already going to enlist or had already enlisted.

There were cases where school principals would supply personally identifiable information about their students who were enlisting in order to claim false credit for recruiting them and collect the bonus, according to Quantock.

Some recruiters were involved in kickback schemes where they would claim that a recruit who had enlisted was referred to them cruiter would then split the bonus money with someone claiming to be the recruiting assistant.

The first indication that something was amiss came in 2007 when Docupak, the contractor administering the Guard program, reported about a dozen cases of potential fraud to the Army Criminal Investigative Division. It took four years for the Army to realize that the fraud was a widespread problem because a relatively small number of fraud cases were uncovered until 2010 when the number expanded, Quantock told lawmakers

After the probe widened in 2011 and Army investigations discovered many instances of fraud, Secretary of the Army John McHugh in February 2012 terminated the programs, according to Army spokesman George Wright. McHugh also directed a comprehensive investigation by multiple Army investigative agencies to determine the scope of the problem and identify the people involved.

In 2011, Army investigators determined that more than 1,200 Army recruiters were suspected of fraud, as well as more than 2.000 recruiter assistants. All 106.364 individuals who received money from RAP will be investigated by the Army by the time the probe is finished in 2016, according to Lt. Gen. William Grisoli, the director of the Army Staff.

"While these combined efforts are ongoing, the results have confirmed a substantial number of cases of fraud and program abuse. These cases will be handled through criminal, Uniform Code of Military Justice or administrative procedures as warranted." Wright said in an email.

Some peopled reaped huge amounts of money from their fraudulent schemes. Five individuals illegally collected nearly \$1 million combined, according to Ouantock.

Thus far, 104 criminal cases

people have been imprisoned.

No senior leaders have been iailed or lost any of their benefits. according to Quantock. One senior National Guard leader who fraudulently received \$7,500 was not prosecuted because his case would have exceeded the statute of limitations by the time it would have gone to trial.

The Army will try to recoup as much taxpaver money as possible Grisoli said

Enlisted recruiters aren't the only ones suspected of wrongdoing. More than 200 officers are under investigation, including two generals, dozens of colonels, and more than 100 junior officers, according to the subcommittee.

"We need to hold our senior leaders accountable, more accountable than anyone else," Ouantock said.

harper.jon@stripes.com Twitter: @JHarperStripes

#### Navy probes alleged nuclear test cheating WASHINGTON - The Navy

is investigating alleged cheating on tests by senior enlisted sailors training on naval nuclear reactors at Charleston, S.C., officials said Tuesday. The Naval Criminal Investi-

gative Service is conducting the probe.

The allegations involve alleged cheating on tests related to the nuclear reactors that provide propulsion for Navy sub-marines and aircraft carriers. It does not involve naval nuclear weapons and thus is not directly comparable to the Air Force's investigation of alleged cheating by officers who operate land-based nuclear missiles.

The officials revealed the probe on condition of anonymity because it has not been publicly

At this stage of the investigation, approximately a dozen sailors are believed to be involved in the alleged cheating, although the investigation is still active and has not reached final conclusions, the officials said.

From The Associated Press



TIM COMERFORD/Courtesy of the U.S. Navy

## Scraping to tell the torpedo's story

Claudia Chemello, a contractor hired by the Naval History and Heritage Command Underwater Archeology Branch, scrapes away sediment that collected on a torpedo's depth gauge as she searches for a way to access the gauge's compartment. More than 140 pounds of sediment was found inside.

The sediment will help NHHC tell the story of the torpedo that was lost from the 19th-century battleship USS Iowa (BB 4) during a training mission and found by a dolphin in the U.S. Navy Marine Mammal Program off the coast of San Diego last year.



# Navy to overhaul standards for petty officer promotion

By Erik Slavin Stars and Stripes

YOKOSUKA NAVAL BASE. - The Navy is making Japan several changes to its advancement system for petty officers, including a formula that would add greater weight to performance evaluations and less to advancement tests.

The changes are part of a longterm, phased approach that could change the promotion quotas for the Navy's many job ratings, Chief of Naval Personnel Vice Adm. Bill Moran wrote in a post on the Navy Times' Facebook nage

"The majority of you seem to like greater weight added to performance - make the evals count more, make it less about who can pass the test or who hangs around long enough," Moran said. "In general, I agree with you."

Currently, for sailors vying for E-4 and E-5 pay grades, the nextlevel exam equals 37 percent and evaluations equal 42 percent of the total promotion score. For sailors aiming for E-6, the test equals 33 percent and the evaluations equal 47.5 percent of their promotion score.

The new formula, which could be introduced as early as the autumn test cycle, would minimize the importance of testing and increase the weight of evaluations even more though exact figures have not been determined, according to the Navy Times.

Multiple sailors who spoke with Stars and Stripes agreed with the changes, though some argued that the Navy's evaluation system was subject to manipulation, and therefore, less indicative of a sailor's abilities than other measures

Seaman William McMillin said Tuesday that the changes, in par-ticular at the E-6 level, should have been made a long time ago. Giving more weight to evaluations puts more focus on management ability at that level, he said.

"There are some great chiefs and first classes, but there are also a lot who don't know how to

Petty Officer 2nd Class Guisela Quezada liked the idea of evaluation-focused promotions because of her own record, "but I've heard horror stories," she said.

"I've been fortunate enough to have good leadership, so I've had good [evaluations]," she said.

Those who disagreed with the greater emphasis on evaluations said it takes value away from testing - which is objective - and gives greater authority to raters and their potential biases.

"Evals aren't rated fairly," said Petty Officer 2nd Class Felicia Oxendine. "You could have a guy who works hard and gets a good eval - and another guy who has the right connections and it (the evaluation) makes him look like a superstar when he's not. It should be based on your knowledge."

However, Oxendine liked another proposed change to the system that could mean fewer seniority-based promotions.

Sailors who pass tests but don't get promoted accrue "passed, not



Petty Officer 2nd Class David Daub weatherizes an antenna cable on the USS George Washington at Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan, on Jan. 31. According to the Navy's personnel chief, the service will make

some changes to its advancement system for petty officers.

advanced" points, or PNAs. Currently, those points are awarded to the top 75 percent of competitors - meaning that more sailors who are repeatedly passed over eventually get promoted.

Navy officials are considering awarding those points to only the top 25 percent of passed-over sailors. The change could mean more promotions for better-performing sailors with less service time.

Under the current system, "some people just advance because of [PNAs] when they don't really deserve it," Oxendine said.

Stars and Stripes reporter Trevor Andersen contributed to this report. slavin.erik@strines.com

## Site work begins for Landstuhl hospital replacement

By MATT MILLHAM Stars and Stripes

KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany - After a delay of more than a year, the first tangible step has been taken toward replacing the Army's aging Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany.

Workers on Monday began cutting trees at the site chosen for the new hospital, an unused ammunition storage area where hundreds of dilapidated Cold War-era bunkers sit nestled in the forest near Ramstein Air Base.

Though the building phase isn't expected to begin for two more years, the clearing of the site alone appeared to offer some relief to German and American officials and engineers, whose plans to start cutting trees in fall 2012 were thwarted, first by a lawsuit and then by a lengthy environmental review

"This is a real milestone." Mark Ray, a spokesman for U.S. Army Europe, said Tuesday at the site, a back corner of the Army's Rhine Ordnance Barracks. "We don't necessarily consider it the beginning of construction, but it is a major milestone in terms of moving the project forward and ensuring that we will build it."

Christoph Strohschneider, head of the German federal building directorate that is overseeing the project, said major site work is required before construction can start on the new hospital, for which Congress has approved \$990 million.

As many as 200 of the rein-



Fences to protect ant hills are among the environmental measures taken to protect wildlife at Rhine Ordnance Barracks in Kaiserslautern, Germany, where the groundwork for a new \$990 million military hospital got underway on Monday. The sign reads: "Ant Hill. Species protection. Do not destroy."

forced concrete ammunition bunkers covering the site will have to be demolished, and huge amounts of earth have to be moved, Strohschneider said. Workers will then have to install utility lines and build roads.

Construction of the hospital building should begin in 2016 if there aren't any unforeseen delays, Strohschneider said, "and, hopefully, we will finish in 2021."

The current projection calls for the building to be fully occupied and in use sometime in 2022, Ray

Strohschneider and Army officials said the \$990 million price tag is a hard cap that they can't go over. Another large-scale project, the Kaiserslautern Military Community Center across the street at Ramstein Air Base, was plagued by delays and cost overruns that officials hope to avoid with the new hospital

German officials and the Army Corps of Engineers, which is overseeing the contract for the construction of the as-yet unnamed hospital, said there are mechanisms in place to ensure they don't go over budget this time

"If parts of the project end up costing more" than anticipated, Ray said, other parts of the project may be scaled back or eliminated.

The Army Corps of Engineers is planning for a hospital with 120 exam rooms, 68 beds and nine operating theaters, though those plans could change.

The hospital's design is at most a fifth complete, according to Army officials. Strohschneider's building directorate is responsible for overseeing the design as well as the build.

Jürgen Reincke, a spokesman for an environmental group that sought to halt the project after a key environmental requirement was waived, said his group was not entirely happy with the beginning of tree clearing, but still considered his organization's efforts a victory.

Reincke's Nature and Biodiversity Conservation Union successfully sued to reinstate a public review process that forced German authorities to take a deeper look at the hospital's environmental impact. That review resulted in additional measures to protect

In all, Ray said, the U.S. will spend about \$16 million to mitigate the project's effects on the environment.

"At the bottom line, it was a compromise," Reincke said. "And, as in any compromise, it is a give and take."

Reporter Marcus Kloeckner contributed to this report. millham.matthew@stripes.com Twitter: @mattmillham

第3種郵便物設可

## **MILITARY**

# Did Karzai pay price by engaging Taliban?

Ву Јоѕн Ѕмітн Stars and Stripes

KABUL - Officials in Afghan President Hamid Karzai's government have been holding secret talks with the Taliban over the past few months, according to

ANALYSIS media reports.
But, analysts say, rather than furthering the peace process, those contacts have contributed to the

souring of relations with Afghanistan's international backers Last month, The Associated Press reported that at least two ministers in Karzai's government traveled to the United Arab Emirates to meet with Taliban repre-

sentatives. A Taliban official told the news agency those talks went 'nowhere.

The New York Times reported Monday that Karzai's backdoor contacts with the Taliban — which still have not borne fruit - may help explain policies and stances Karzai has taken that have frustrated the U.S., including his refusal to sign a bilateral security agreement that is to set the terms for a small training and advisory

force to remain in Afghanistan

after all combat troops withdraw

at the end of this year.

Karzai's standing in Washington has withered as the Afghan president has leveled accusations against the U.S. Last month, he suggested Washington was behind a deadly suicide attack on a Kabul restaurant claimed by the Taliban in which 21 people, including 13 foreigners - three of More recently, his administration used misleading photos to accuse American troops of killing civilians. That has only poured salt in wounds opened by his refusal to sign the security agreement.

"He is playing with fire, because the mood in Washington and other capitals is increasingly frustrated," said Michael Keating, a former United Nations deputy envoy to Afghanistan and now a senior consulting fellow with the London-based Chatham House. "You can explain why he's doing it, but what he's doing is potentially very damaging."

That the Afghan government wants to talk to the Taliban is not what rankles Western leaders, said Graeme Smith, a senior analyst with the International Crisis Group.

Americans want the Afghan government to negoti-ate a peace deal," Smith said. 'The Americans really are urgently trying to reach a political

solution."

The West is concerned that Karzai has unrealistic expectations that a peace deal could be reached with the Taliban that would make the bilateral security agreement with the U.S. unnecessary.
"Karzai wanting to negotiate

is not what's annoying Washington," Smith said. "It's the idea that a peace deal could be reached in time to make a BSA unnecessary."

Karzai, in refusing to sign the agreement, has insisted that

the United States should restart peace talks with the insurgents or withdraw all forces. American military officials are pushing for at least 10,000 troops to remain after the end of 2014 to provide training and other assistance.

Without the bilateral agreement, all international forces may depart as NATO has said the U.S. Afghan agreement is also key to it establishing a follow-on training force in Afghanistan

The Taliban have continuously insisted that all U.S. and NATO forces - whom they regard as foreign occupiers - must leave the country before they consider participating in the political process. The insurgents have vowed to continue fighting if any foreign advisers remain in Afghanistan after the withdrawal of coalition combat troops.

It was Karzai himself who torpedoed peace talks set up by international diplomats last summer. The United States canceled preliminary talks in Oatar after Karzai objected to the Taliban's new office there, which displayed the group's white flag and featured signs referring to the "Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan," the name the Taliban used when they ruled from Kabul.

Analysts say many of Karzai's frustrations are understandable given his years of serving as president of a country with a massive international military and political presence.

"Karzai has been treated like the leader of a colonialized coun-try for many years," said Thomas Ruttig, co-director of the Kabulbased Afghanistan Analysts Network. "So some of his frustration about the U.S. also can be explained, particularly when it comes to talking to the Taliban, through Qatar, where he has been excluded from the beginning while everyone had told him he was in the lead."

Having ruled Afghanistan since the United States and its Afghan allies toppled the Taliban in 2001. Karzai is barred from seeking a third term as president. Keating says the Afghan president is seeking to maintain his influence while defining his legacy.

One of the reasons why Karzai has not signed the BSA is that he wants to remain very, very relevant until the end of his term.' Keating said. "He is trying to be known as the great patriot, rather than the guy who cut a deal with the foreigners and open himself up to views that he favors foreigners over Afghans.

Informal and formal contact with factions of the Taliban, or those claiming to represent the Taliban, have been going on for years without results, said, and little indicates that will change soon.

"[Karzai] seems to hope that at least an opening of such a channel is realistic before he leaves office," Ruttig said. "Of course, it is contradictory - the BSA and the Taliban demanding the withdrawal of all foreign soldiers. Maybe Karzai hopes he can persuade the Taliban [to accept] some presence in exchange for a part in running the country - unrealistic as this seems to be."

The Taliban and related insurgent groups have many factions and, so far, none of the contacts that have been reported with the Afghan government has been the formal, authorized negotiations that would be needed for an actual peace deal, Keating said.

"My instinct is that the Taliban do not really want to engage with an outgoing government, for all the obvious reasons," he said. "There is nothing that I have read that adds up to a real process. What we're talking about is conversations, some at high levels, but a peace deal requires a semistructured process.'

Smith agreed that there are few signs that the Taliban will budge

"If Karzai is holding up the BSA in hopes of a last-second breakthrough in talks with the insurgency, it's not going to happen," he said. "I can understand why he would want to try, because it's necessary to try. But the reality is, the insurgents are optimistic as they watch tens of thousands of international troops leave "

Smith noted that insurgent attacks increased in 2013 compared with the previous year, indicating the Taliban and other groups aren't easing off.

"This is not a war that shows any signs of cooling down," he said

smith.iosh@stripes.com Twitter: @joshjonsmith



ALEX FLYNN/Courtesy of the U.S. ARM

Capt. Joe Beale, with the 57th Expeditionary Signal Battalion serving at Kandahar Air Field, Afghanistan, cheers during the Super Bowl on Sunday. A new report says U.S. soldiers had higher morale and suffered fewer mental health problems in Afghanistan last year.

## By Pauline Jelinek

The Associated Press

U.S. soldiers had higher morale and suffered fewer mental health problems in Afghanistan last year as they handed off more duties to Afghans and saw less combat themselves, according to a report released Monday.

The Army report was drawn

from a battlefield survey and interviews in June and July. It was the ninth time since the practice started in 2003 in Iraq that the service had sent a team of mental health experts to the field of war to measure soldier mental health and assess available care.

The report says rates of soldiers with depression, anxiety and acute stress — as well as tendencies toward suicide - were lower than in the most recent previous In a survey of nearly 900 sol-

Army: GI morale up in Afghanistan

diers, 20.2 percent said last year that their morale was high or very high, compared with 14.7 percent

in 2012 and 16.3 percent in 2010. During those earlier survey years, there were more U.S troops in Afghanistan — 100,000

at the height of the surge that started in 2010 Now, there are about 34,000 U.S. troops.

"The differences in individual morale in 2013 relative to 2010 and 2012 may reflect differences in combat experiences during those 2 years ... years with the highest combat experience levels" of the war, said the report by the office of the Army surgeon

general and command surgeons

at U.S. Central Command and in the Afghanistan war zone.

Last year, the U.S.-led international forces in Afghanistan suffered the lowest number of casualties in the past six years, while Afghan security forces saw their casualties mount as they took the lead in the 12-year war against the Taliban. According to an Associated Press tally, U.S. deaths fell to 118 from 297 in 2012, while casualties among Afghan army and police rose to 2,767, up from 1,870 the year before.

The report also found that the number of surveyed soldiers who thought they would be better off dead or had considered hurting themselves was 8.5 percent last year compared with 9 percent in 2012 and 13 percent in 2010.





Long-term stay OK!

Friendly English speaking staff (098)-936-7139 Office 9-6 Mon.-Fri., 9-1 Sat., closed Sun.



- ★ Fully Furnished Living & Dining Room and Kitchenette. ★ Free large parking area, Cable TV and Pets always welcome.
- ★ Conveniently located near Kadena Air Base, Camp Foster.

#### tell Counseling

03-4550-1146



tell Lifeline Free, anonymous

Face-to-face counseling in English, Japanese and other languages by professional, qualified therapists on a flexible-fee basis.

telephone counseling 9 a.m. - 11 p.m., 7 days a week 365 days a year 03-5774-0992

www.telljp.com

#### MILITARY

# Bill would set in-state tuition rates for vets

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The House overwhelmingly passed legisla-tion Monday that would require public universities around the country to charge veterans instate tuition rates or face financial penalty.

Congress intended for veterans from the Iraq and Afghanistan era to go to college for free at the public school of their choice. For most, that's the case. But, on occasion, veterans end

up living in a new state once their service has ended. Then, they find that the federal government's reimbursement to colleges won't fully cover the higher tuition rates that generally apply to students who come in from out of state.

"There are many veterans through no fault of their own who are forced to pay exorbitant tuition rates to schools simply because of the transit nature of their military service," said Rep. Jeff Miller, the Republican chairman of the House Committee on Veterans Affairs.

About half the states already have waivers in place designed to attract veterans to attend their public universities. Lawmakers and veterans groups are pushing for a national approach.

Budget scorekeepers estimate the provision would affect about 3,800 veterans initially and save the federal government about \$139 million over the next decade. The bill passed by a vote of 390-0.

Some have complained that Congress is putting in place an-

other unfunded federal mandate When the bill came up before a congressional subcommittee last year, the American Association of State Colleges and Universities said that establishing tuition policy is a clear state right. "This bill screams of government overreach," the association said at the time

The arguments from veterans groups won out. The groups said military veterans are the only Americans who sometimes cannot physically be present in a state long enough to satisfy residency requirements simply because they were serving their country.

In all, 20 states already have laws designed to help veterans get the in-state rate. Another 12 have legislation pending. Eight more have individual schools or school systems that provide veterans with waivers so they can get the in-state tuition rate, according to Student Veterans of America, an advocacy group.

The bill stipulates that the instate tuition requirement would apply only to veterans who enroll within three years of leaving the

The requirement has broad support in the Senate as well, but it's included in much broader veterans legislation that some Republicans say may be too sweeping and expensive.

The House bill passed Monday contains other provisions that affect the Department of Veterans Affairs, including eliminating performance bonuses for the department's senior executive staff through 2018.



Courtesy of Lockheed Martin

On Thursday, Lockheed Martin celebrated the 40th anniversary of the first flight of its F-16 Fighting Falcon, seen here at the Australian International Airshow in February last year.

## Lockheed's F-16 still strong at 40

By YAMIL BERARD

Fort Worth (Texas) Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas - In 1975, the once-bustling mile-long bomber plant then operated by General Dynamics had the feel of a ghost town. Just under 3,000 employees worked at the plant, and a single F-111 attack plane sat in the corner.

"This looked like a tomb, this facility," said Ralph Heath, a de-sign engineer. "Immediately on the right of the entrance to the factory was a plywood wall, and everything to the north of that was dark. It was shut down.'

After wars in Vietnam and Korea, the Pentagon had lost interest in pricey jets like the F-15. So Fort Worth aerospace developers and production engineers developed a single-engine, lightweight fighter for the government at a low cost, said Heath, who would later become president of Lockheed Martin Aeronautics. which took over the plant in 1992.

Heath and others were told the initial contract for about 1,000 jets would last four years. Four decades later, Lockheed Martin has pumped out more than 4.540 F-16s for customers in more than 24 countries.

On Thursday, the company celebrated the 40th anniversary of the jet's first flight on Feb. 2, 1974.

Though the F-16 has been overtaken in size and importance by the F-35 joint strike fighter program, Lockheed continues to turn out about one F-16 a month for foreign buyers such as Iraq. About 400 workers still labor on the F-16 line, which has enough orders to remain open until at least 2017.

Test pilot Phil Oestricher, who manned the first flight of the F-16 at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., said the plane answered the Pentagon's call for an agile fighter.

"Basically, they were looking for a dogfighting type of airplane in the traditional sense of it," said the retired pilot, 82.

Over time, the plane evolved into a multirole, all-weather airplane, said Dain Hancock, 72, a propulsion engineer who would become a long-time president of Lockheed Martin Aeronautics. "It had good bones," Hancock ity that allowed it to grow without a lot of changes in its structure, such as the capability to carry large loads, a high thrust-to-weight ratio."

Over the decades, the plane's performance was beefed up with upgrades to avionics and weapons systems. Many foreign nations are now seeking to outfit their existing fleets of F-16s with the latest electronics

MOVING TO SAN DIEGO? MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR BAH!



www.socalmilitaryhomes.org SAN DIEGO CORONADO PENDLETON MIRAMAR CA BRE #01936251. BROKER BRE #01804284

#### US military. Italy close to deal on mail dispute

NAPLES, Italy - Italian customs agents in Rome have released about two dozen packages they were holding from the U.S. military mail system as both sides near an agreement on a customs dispute, a spokeswoman at the U.S. Navy base in Naples said on Monday. Recipients of the packages,

which were bound for bases in Naples and Sigonella, Sicily, will not have to pay the fees for which they were being held, said the snokeswoman, Lt. Liza Dougherty. Italian customs officials held

the packages last month after announcing that all incoming parcels bound for the U.S. military mail system would be subject to Italian taxes and customs duties. They stopped intercepting packages after Navy representatives and U.S. Embassy officials disnuted the new fees and both sides began meeting for discussions. U.S. officials say long-standing basing agreements between the countries prohibit the taxes, while Italian officials say they have the right to levy the fees.

Release of the packages is seen as a positive step toward a resolution, which is believed to be near. Dougherty said.

#### Air Force reservist faces child porn charges

A U.S. Air Force Reserve major was arrested Thursday at Fort McNair in Washington and charged with distribution of child pornography, according to D.C. police.

David Riley, 37, of Tampa, Fla., appeared in U.S. District Court on Friday and was ordered detained until a preliminary hearing, set for Feb. 12.

D.C. police spokesman Araz

Alali said Riley is charged with sending images of child pornography over the Internet to an undercover police officer. D.C. police, the FBI and the U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations participated in the arrest. Riley was at Fort McNair to

participate in a national security course at the National Defense University, according to Linda J. Card, chief spokeswoman for the U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations,. She said Riley is an Air Force reservist assigned to MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa.

Riley is accused of sending images online to an undercover police officer, according to NBC News. The officer found Riley by placing an ad on Craigslist, authorities said. Beginning in December, Riley allegedly sent eight extremely graphic images of children involved in sexual acts.

From staff and wire reports

## This VALENTINE'S DAY Send the *Ultimate* Gift



Ultimate Plush Giant Stuffed Plush Animals

Made in the USA UltimatePlush.com

Ultimate Roses 3ft to 6ft Live Fresh Cut Roses TheUltimateRose.com

All Military receive 15% Discount

Enter code: MILITARY at check out

Phone: 800-986-2918

#### **PACIFIC**



## Fleet: Expert says China still decades behind US in terms of naval parity

#### FROM FRONT FAGE

The plans don't come as a surprise to U.S. military commanders. In a report to Congress last year, the Department of Defense prodicted: "China... will likely build multiple aircraft carriers over the next decade. The first Chinesebuilt carrier will likely be operational sometime in the second half of this decade." U.S. naval commanders, who

have been ordered to move the bulk of their fleet to the Pacific theater, say it's clear that China is building a "blue-water navy," capable of sustained operations across oceans and able to project power far from home. While the U.S. Pacific Com-

while the U.S. Pacific Command has not commented directly on the latest reports about the Chinese carrier program, its commander, Adm. Samuel Locklear, addressed China's weapons systems during a Jan. 23 media briefing.

"Our relative dominance in ... technologies and ... weapons systems will have diminished over time," he said. "That's not something to be afraid of; it's just to be pragmatic about it."

pragmate about in.
Some naval experts say the U.S.
must keep an eye on China's naval
buildup, but most don't think Chinese aircraft carriers will be able
to compete with the U.S. behemoths like the Yokosuka Naval
Base, Japan-bound USS Ronald
Reagan anytime soon.

"Building it is the easiest part; operating carrier task forces is much tougher," Ralph Cossa, of the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said.

An effective aircraft carrier isn't just a ship, said Mark Jacobson, a fellow at The German Marshall Fund of the United States. "It's a weapons system that includes planes that can take off from a carrier and pilots who can

#### China asserting 'manifest destiny'?

WASHINGTON — The chief of U.S. intelligence says China's aggressive pursuit of territorial claims in the seas of East Asia is driven by a sense of historical destiny and is causing great concern among countries in the region.

Director of National Intelligence James Clapper said China has pursued a very impressive military modernization that is designed to address America's own military strengths.

Clapper was responding to a question on China's recent actions in the East and South China seas posed at a House Intelligence Committee hearing Tuesday on worldwide threats.

He said China has been greatly concerned by the increased U.S. attention to Asia, viewing it as an attempt at containment.

Clapper said China has been "quite aggressive in asserting what they see as their manifest destiny."

From The Associated Press

execute one of the most difficult maneuvers in aviation," which is landing on a deck at sea.

Michael O'Hanlon, of The Brookings Institution, said it's clear that the Chinese can build numerous carriers but added, "The Chinese remain 20 years behind the U.S. in any realistic pursuit of naval parity."

Jan Van Tol, a retired U.S. Navy captain who is a senior fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments in Washington, said more Chinese carriers will have an impact even if they are far less capable than U.S. ships. "Military professionals will know the difference, but other

important audiences may not, and could credit ... ships with having far more capability and combat utility than they actually would have in combat," he said.

The Chinese might be able to th

making port visits and providing humanitarian assistance and disaster relief with ships that look like carriers, even if they lack the capabilities of U.S. ships, he said.

Cossa said people should beware of the "Wizard of Oz"

"China is casting a big shadow that is disproportionate to its actual strength," he said, adding

that is disproportionate to its actual strength," he said, adding that the statement applied to both economic and military power. "A single aircraft carrier, with

A single arrotant carrier, with limited range aircraft and little blue water experience, hardly makes China a major sea power, but people are already reacting to the shadow rather than the little guy behind the screen," he said.

#### Start of a race?

It's clear that Chinese military build-up is unsettling to its neighbors.

Last month, Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe called China's recent military spending a "provocation."

Speaking at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, Abe compared the relationship between Japan and China to that of Germany and Britain before World War I.

In the days before the invention of the aircraft carrier, British King George V and Kaiser Wilhelm II, of Germany — yacht racers and cousins — were engaged in a head-to-head battle to build "Dreadnoughts," the biggest and most powerful battleships the world had known.

In 1906, the newly built HMS
Dreadnought was so much bigger,
faster and more powerful than
its predecessors that it made all
other ships obsolete, according to
historian Robert K. Massie, who
wrote "Dreadnought — Britain,
Germany, and the Coming of the
Great War."
When the Germans began

building their own Dreadnaughts that same year, an arms race had been launched.

But soon, cuts to the British

defense budget limited the Royal Navy's ability to grow its Dreadnought fleet, and the Germans began a breakneck construction program, Massie wrote in the book.

In less than a decade, Germany launched its massive fleet in the North Sea. World War I began shortly thereafter. Jacobson said there's a chance

that an aircraft carrier arms race could play out between the U.S. and China, but that competition to develop other weapons systems is more likely.

"Are we looking at the 21st-century version of the Dreadnought phenomenon? Perhaps," he said.

"There might be those who think [there will be] a symmetrical back and forth where whoever has the most carriers wins."

However, Jacobson said it's possible that new weapons, such as advanced cruise missiles, could limit carriers' effectiveness.

It makes more sense for military planners to take a more diverse approach to defense acquisitions, he said.

"If you take the route of trying to build more than the other person, that is going to limit what you can do in other areas," he said. "I think the Chinese would be better served to spend more on the cyber arena than they are in the aircraft carrier arena."

Even if the Chinese attempt to build more aircraft carriers than the U.S., defense experts don't believe that would force America to add to its fleet.

Van Tol said the U.S. should continue to demonstrate routine forward presence of naval forces and continued superiority in the overall military balance in Asia, as well as reassure allies that major reinforcement could be introduced in a timely fashion if required.

robson.seth@stripes.com

## REASONS TO CHOOSE OMNI

We've been making loans of up to \$10,000 to active duty military for over 63 years.



Click today...cash today™ www.vesomni.com

#### NATION

# Cybersecurity report blasts agencies' efforts

By CRAIG TIMBERG AND LISA REIN The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - The message broadcast in several states last winter was equal parts alarm-ing and absurd: "Civil authorities in your area have reported that the bodies of the dead are rising from their graves and attack-ing the living, ... Do not attempt to approach or apprehend these bodies, as they are considered ex-

tremely dangerous. The reported zombie invasion was not something out of TV's "The Walking Dead." It was the federal Emergency Alert System under control of hackers - who exploited weaknesses that are disturbingly common in many critical systems throughout government, according to a Senate cybersecurity report that was set for release Tuesday

U.S. officials have warned for years that the prospect of a cyberattack is the top threat to the nation and have sharply increased spending for computer security. Yet the report by the Republican staff of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee says federal agencies are ill-prepared to defend networks against even modestly skilled hackers.

"As a taxpayer, I'm outraged," said Alan Paller, who is research director at the SANS Institute, a cybersecurity education group, and reviewed a draft version of the report ahead of its official release, "We're spending all this money and getting so little impact

The report draws on previous work by agency inspectors general and the Government Accountability Office to paint a broader picture of chronic dysfunction, citing repeated failures by federal officials to perform the unglamorous work of information security. That includes installing

security patches, updating antivirus software, communicating on secure networks and requiring strong passwords. A common password on federal systems, the report found is "nassword"

Obama administration officials quibbled with elements of the report but acknowledged that getting agencies to secure their systems against attack has been difficult

"Almost every agency faces a cybersecurity challenge," said Michael Daniel, special assistant to the president on cybersecurity policy, "Some are farther along than others in driving awareness of it. It often depends on whether they've been in the crosshairs of a major cyberincident."

The report levels particularly tough criticism at the Department of Homeland Security, which helps oversee cybersecurity at other federal agencies. The report concluded that the department had failed even to undate essential software - "the basic security measure just about any American with a computer has performed.

"None of the other agencies want to listen to Homeland Security when they aren't taking care of their own systems," said Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., who as the ranking minority member of the committee oversaw the develop-ment of the report. "They aren't even doing the simple stuff."

The underlying problem, said Coburn and several outside ex-perts, is the failure of federal agencies to hire top-notch information technology workers, pay them enough and give them enough clout to enforce routine security practices.

"It's a low-status, often lowpaid, high-stress position because people only notice systems administrators when something breaks," said Steven Bellovin, a Columbia University computer science professor and former Federal Trade Commission technologist, "It becomes a very easy position to neglect.

Higher up the chain of com-mand, agency directors are rarely held accountable for security failures because it is often unclear who is responsible, experts said. No penalties are mandated by law.

Other problems identified in the Senate report include:

■In every year since 2008, the GAO has found roughly 100 weaknesses in the computer security practices of the Internal Revenue Service, which took an average of 55 days to patch critical system flaws once they were identified. It is supposed to take only three days to do so.

■The Nuclear Regulatory Commission, which keeps data on the design and security of every nuclear reactor and waste facility in the country, "regularly experiences unauthorized disclosures of sensitive information.

## Feds want vehicles to warn each other of trouble ahead

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Your car might see a deadly crash coming even if you don't, the government says, indicating it will require automakers to equip new vehicles with technology that lets cars warn each other if they're plunging toward peril.

The action, still some years off, has 'game-changing potential" to cut collisions, deaths and injuries, federal transportation officials said at a news conference

A radio signal would continually transmit a vehicle's position, heading, speed and other information. Cars and light trucks would receive the same information back from other cars, and a vehicle's computer would alert its driver to an impending collision. Alerts could be a flashing message, an audible warning, or a driver's seat that rumbles. Some systems might even automatically brake to avoid an accident if manufacturers choose to include that

Your car would "see" when another car or truck equipped with the same technology was about to run a red light, even if that vehicle was hidden around a corner. Your car would also know when a car several vehicles ahead in a line of traffic had made a sudden stop and alert you even before you saw brake lights The technology works up to about 300 yards.

If communities choose to invest in the

could start talking to cars, too, sending warnings of traffic congestion or road hazards ahead in time for drivers to take a detour.

The technology is separate from automated safety features using sensors and radar that are already being built into some high-end vehicles today and which are seen as the basis for future self-driving cars. Government and industry officials see the two technologies as compatible. If continuous conversations between cars make driving safer, then self-driving cars will become safer as well.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, which has been working with automakers on the technology for the past decade, estimates vehicle-to-vehicle communications could prevent up to 80 percent of accidents that don't involve drunken drivers or mechanical failure.

Crashes involving a driver with a blood alcohol content of .08 or higher accounted for nearly a third of the 33,500 traffic fatalities in the U.S. in 2012, according to the safety agency

The technology represents the start of a new era in automotive safety in which the focus is "to prevent crashes in the first place," as compared with previous efforts to ensure accidents are survivable, said David Friedman, the head of the agency.

No orders to automakers are imminent, officials said

After an agency report, the public and



A side mirror on a Ford Taurus displays a warning signal that can be seen by the driver during testing in 2012. Federal transportation officials are seeking to equip cars with technology to communicate with the driver and with each other to prevent crashes.

carmakers will have 90 days to comment, then regulators will begin drafting a proposal, and that process could take months to years. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx said it is his intention to issue the proposal before President Barack Obama leaves office.

"It will change driving as we know it over time," said Scott Belcher, president and CEO of the Intelligent Transportation Society of America. "Automobile makers will rethink how they design and construct cars because they will no longer be constructing cars to survive a crash, but building them to avoid a crash.'

Government officials declined to give an estimate for how much the technology would increase the price of a new car, but the transportation society estimates it would cost about \$100 to \$200 per vehicle.

Automakers are enthusiastic about vehicle-to-vehicle technology but feel there are important technical, security and privacy questions that need to be worked out first. said Gloria Bergquist, vice president of the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers.

The technology "may well play a larger role in future road safety, but many pieces of a large puzzle still need to fit together,'

#### Reviews boost number of exonerations in 2013

ST. LOUIS — A nationwide push by prosecutors and police to re-examine possible wrongful convictions contributed to a record number of exonerations in 2013, according to a report released Tuesday.

The National Registry of Exonerations said 87 people falsely convicted of crimes were exonerated last year, four more than in 2009, the year with the next highest total.

The joint effort by the Northwestern University and University of Michigan law schools has documented more than 1 300 such cases in the U.S. since 1989 while also identifying another 1,100 "group exonerations" involving widespread police misconduct, primarily related to planted drug and gun evidence.

The new report shows that nearly 40 percent of exonerations recorded in 2013 were either initiated by law enforcement or included police and prosecutors' cooperation.

One year earlier, nearly half of the exonerations involved such

From The Associated Press



#### NATION



New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie takes questions from callers during his "Ask the Governor" radio broadcast Monday. Christie addressed the traffic jam scandal during the program.

# **Christie calls scrutiny of** closures a 'gotcha' game

The Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J. — Gov. Chris Christie said he started asking staff members to get more details about traffic jams in the northern New Jersey town of Fort Lee last year soon after they were over and he heard they were a source of contention.

That's the account he gave Monday night on a radio show when he spoke publicly for the first time in more than three weeks about political retribution scandal involving lane closures near the George Washington Bridge, which links New Jersey and New York City.

The gravity he now says he gave the issue last September stands in contrast to his account on Dec. 2, when he laughed it off. "Unbeknownst to everybody, I was actually the guy out there .. he said then. "I actually was the guy working the cones.'

The scandal has engulfed Christie's administration and threatens to upend future politi-cal ambitions for the Republican governor and possible 2016 presidential candidate.

He came under a new round of scrutiny last week after the lawyer for a former Christie ally wrote a letter saying "evidence exists" that Christie knew about major traffic jams caused by closing lanes approaching the bridge in Fort Lee, a plot said to have been undertaken for political retribution. The lawyer for David Wildstein, who was Christie's No.

2 man at the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which runs the bridge, did not give any other details about the evidence. Christie's office initially denied

that he knew about the traffic problems until after they were over, pointing to several statements from the governor. But on TownSquare Media's "Ask the Governor" on Monday,

Christie acknowledged for the first time that he may have been aware of the closures at the time. Christie said what he learned when is not important. He dis-

missed the scrutiny over that detail as "a game of gotcha." "Nobody has said I knew about this before it happened, and I think that's the most important

question," he said.

## FDA campaign seeks to deter youth smoking

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration is using ads that depict yellow teeth and wrinkled skin to show the nation's at-risk youth the costs associated with cigarette smoking.

The federal agency said Tuesday it is launching a \$115 million multimedia education campaign called "The Real Cost" that's aimed at stopping teenagers from smoking.

Advertisements will run in more than 200 markets through-out the U.S. for at least one year beginning Feb. 11. The campaign will include ads on TV stations such as MTV and print spots in magazines like Teen Vogue. It also will use social media.

'Our kids are the replacement customers for the addicted adult smokers who die or quit each day,' said Mitch Zeller, the director of the FDA's Center for Tobacco Products. "And that's why we think it's so important to reach out to them — not to lecture them, not to throw statistics at them — but to reach them in a way that will get them to rethink their relationship with tobacco use.'



#### A Food and Drug Administration ad campaign associates bad teeth with smoking.

Zeller, who oversaw the anti-tobacco "Truth" campaign while working at the nonprofit American Legacy Foundation in the early 2000s, called the new campaign "compelling, provocative and somewhat graphic way" of grabbing the attention of more young people open to, or who are already experimenting with, cigarettes.

## School Internet funds pledged

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Claiming progress in his campaign to get American schools wired for the future, President Barack Obama is announcing commitments from U.S. companies totaling about \$750 million to connect more students to high-speed Internet.

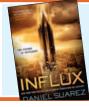
Apple is pledging \$100 million in iPads, computers and other tools. AT&T and Sprint are contributing free Internet service through their wireless networks. Verizon is pitching in up to \$100 million in cash and in-kind contributions. Microsoft is making Windows available at discounted

prices and offering 12 million free copies of Microsoft Office software. Obama announced the commit-

ments Tuesday at a middle school in Maryland.

Also in the pipeline is an additional \$2 billion that the Federal Communications Commission is setting aside from service fees over two years to connect another 20 million students to high-speed

The White House hopes the pledges will help fulfill a goal Obama set last summer to have 99 percent of students wired at high speeds within five years.



Suppose you discovered that all the high-tech promises of the 20th century that seem to elude mankind — fusion power, genetic enhancements, artificial intelligence, cures for disease, extended human life — are not beyond our grasp but instead are in the hands of an elite few?

#### WIN YOUR SIGNED COPY!

Stripes Book Club and Dutton, a member of Penguin Group (USA) Inc., are proud to offer you a chance to win one of 10 signed copies of Daniel Suarez's INFLUX.

Go to stripesrewards.com/bookclub to enter and win.



Stripes Book Club









and be entered to win a

\$300, \$200 or \$100 Exchange gift card!

Go to stripesrewards.com/bestofpacific STARS STRIPES.



#### NAVY EXCHANGE YOKOSUKA, ATSUGI & SASEBO, JAPAN





#### NATION

# **Tech companies** release data on spying operation

By Stephen Brain AND MICHAEL LIEDTKE The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Major technology firms have released new data on how often they are ordered to turn over customer information to the government for secret national security investigations, resulting in the collection of data on thousands of Americans.

That release came after the companies were freed by a recent legal deal with government

The publications disclosed by Google, Microsoft, Yahoo, Face-book, LinkedIn and Tumblr provided expanded details and some vented criticism about the government's handling of customers' Internet data in counterterrorism and other intelligence-related probes. The figures from 2012 and 2013 showed that companies such as Google and Microsoft were compelled by the government to provide information on as many as 10,000 customer accounts in a six-month period. Yahoo complied with government requests for information on more than 40,000 accounts in the same period.

The companies earlier had provided limited information about government requests for data, but an agreement reached last week with the Obama administration allowed the firms to provide a broadened, though still circumscribed, set of figures to the public.

Seeking to reassure customers and business partners alarmed by revelations about the government's massive collection of Internet and computer data, the firms stressed details indicating that only small numbers of their customers were targeted by authorities. Still, even those small numbers showed that thousands of Americans were affected by the government requests approved by judges of the secret Foreign Intelligence Surveillance

The data releases by the major tech companies offered a mix of dispassionate graphics, reassurances and protests, seeking to alleviate customer concerns about government spying while pressuring national security officials about the companies' constitutional concerns. The shifting tone in the releases showed the precarious course that major tech firms have had to navigate in recent months, caught between their public commitments to Internet freedom and their enforced roles as data providers to U.S. spy agencies.

In a company blog post, Micro-soft General Counsel Brad Smith scolded the U.S. and allied governments for failing to renounce the reported mass interception of Internet data carried by communications cables.

Top lawyers and executives for major tech companies had raised alarms previously about media reports describing that hacking by U.S. and United Kingdom spy agencies and cited them during conversations with U.S. officials during President Barack Obama's internal review of planned changes to the government's spying operations.

Google and all the other companies denied that they gave any government unfettered access to their users' information.



CLEM MURRAY. THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER/AF

The fences of Crebilly Farm create a zig-zag pattern in the snow-covered fields in West Chester, Pa., on Monday as winter storms continued in the Northeast and Midwest.

## Winter storms continuing to hammer Northeast, Midwest

By KATHY MATHESON The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA - Just as the East Coast dug out from a canopy of wet, heavy snow that again shut schools and emptied workplaces, another hit was expected to sock the Midwest.

The National Weather Service said Monday's storm, which brought 8 inches of snow to New York City, 3 to 9 inches to the Philadelphia area and up to 9 inches to central New Jersey, will be followed by a new storm in the Midwest on Tuesday. The heaviest accumulations are expected in Kansas and Missouri.

The double whammy continues for the Northeast late Tuesday into early Wednesday when the storm brings up to a foot of snow

in northern Pennsylvania and 5 to 9 inches in Boston. The New York area could get 4 to 7 inches of snow followed by rain, freezing rain and sleet - possibly creating a messy morning commute.

Even though it's days away, the weather service said there's a chance of even more of the cold, white flakes beginning Saturday and continuing into Sunday on the East Coast. It could be a trifecta of foul weather.

"This winter has been a pretty amazing winter across a whole lot of the country," said Joseph T. Pajor, deputy director of the department of public works and utilities for the city of Wichita, Kansas, which was expected to get about 2 inches of snow overnight and another 6 inches on On Monday, government of-fices, courts and schools were closed in parts of Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, New Jer-sey, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia; scattered power outages were reported throughout the region. Speed limits were reduced on many major highways.

At least two deaths and one serious injury were blamed on the storm. In western Kentucky, where the snow began falling Sunday, a 24-year-old man died that night when his car skidded into a snowplow. On Monday, a 73-year-old New York City man was fatally struck by a backhoe that was moving snow.

A 10-year-old girl was in se rious condition after she was impaled by a metal rod while sledding north of Baltimore.

## Mich. escapee caught in Indiana

The Associated Press

IONIA. Mich. - A convicted killer who authorities say managed to evade guards and peel through two electrically charged fences to escape a Michigan prison was tripped up by transportation issues once on the outside.

Authorities allege that after losing the woman he abducted and ditching her Jeep in an Indiana town, Michael David Elliot made his way to another Indiana community, where he stole another vehicle. A sheriff's deputy quickly spotted the stolen Chevrolet Monte Carlo on Monday evening and chased it, leading to Elliot's canture

No one was injured in the chase, and the abducted woman also wasn't hurt.

Authorities are now left to sort



exactly Elliot how was able to get out of the Michigan prison. Fences were equipped with motion

sensors alert guards. The fences also carry electric current to shock anyone

who touches them

"It appears that did not happen. He was not zapped with electricity, and he was not picked up by the motion sensors," prisons spokesman Russ Marlan said.

Marlan said late Monday that Michigan would immediately begin the extradition process. The LaPorte County Sheriff's Department said he's being charged there with motor vehicle theft and resisting law enforcement, but authorities didn't say if he would stay in Indiana to face those allegations.

Officials were stunned by the brazen escape Sunday night. Elliot, who had a record of good behavior during his 20 years in custody, wore a white kitchen uniform to evade security and blend in with snow at the Ionia Correctional Facility in western Michigan, authorities said.

"We had dog teams. We had a helicopter from the state police. said Michigan Corrections Department Director Dan Heyns. The response was good, but he'd

That marked the beginleft the area by the time we were mobilized totally 100 percent. It didn't take him long to get down

#### Police bust Craigslist theft ring

SACRAMENTO.

On June 20, as police detectives were on a stakeout in a rundown neighborhood north of downtown Oakland, Calif., a stretch limousine pulled up nearby and was flagged down by a man on foot.

The officers, who were there on an unrelated case, watched as two men approached the limo, one pulled a gun and the pair tried to rob the passenger, a woman from Colorado who had just flown in to sell a diamond ring she had offered for sale on Craigslist.

ning of the end for an alleged ring of jewel thieves who concocted a scheme to rob sellers nationwide of large diamonds

gold watches and other pricey baubles they had advertised on Craigslist, according to newly unsealed documents filed in federal courthouses in Sacramento and Oakland.

Michael Anthony Martin, is being held in the Sacramento County jail on a charge of being a felon in possession of a firearm. Keegan Leecodi Cotton Jr., Jaedon Evans and Rafael Davis - were named in a criminal complaint filed Jan. 21 in Oakland charging them with conspiracy to commit robbery, attempted robbery affecting interstate commerce

and aiding and abetting.
The alleged ringleader remains in prison serving a sentence for robbery in a case that the FBI says is similar to the Craigslist caper.

## WORLD

# Panel: Japan should ease collective defense ban

By Mari Yamaguchi The Associated Press

TOKYO — A government panel will urge Japan to allow its military to help allies that come under attack, in a major reversal of the country's ban on collective defense under its pacifist constitution.

The panel on Tuesday discussed ways that Japan can improve its defense capability and said it will present its near-final draft recommendation in coming weeks. Prime Minister Shinzo Abe wants Japan to play a greater role in international peacekeeping and step up its defense posture, citing potential military threats from China and North Korea.

The 14-member panel, headed by former Ambassador to the U.S. Shunji Yanai, said the revision is possible if the government alters its current interpretation of the war-renouncing constitution. Formal constitutional change involves high hurdles, though Abe eventually hones to achieve that.

The constitution, written under U.S. direction after World War II, says the Japanese people "for-ever renounce war as a sover-eign right of the nation" and that "land, sea and air forces, as well as other war potential, will never be maintained." The government has interpreted those clauses as meaning that Japan cannot possess offensive military weapons such as ICBMs or long-range strategic bombers.

Abe and other supporters of the change believe that restrictions should be removed from the military, and that Japan's current self-defense-only policy is inadequate as the region's secure that the second property of th

Japan's peacekeeping missions have been limited to noncombat roles because of its pacifist rules, and a change would allow its roons to do more

The draft report will also urge Japan to relax its restrictions on arms exports, participate more actively in U.N.-led security operations, and prepare a legal framework for its military to counter intrusions on remote Japaneseheld islands, apparently including territory in the East China Sea also claimed by China.

It would also stress the importance of strengthening Japan's defense ties with its allies, most importantly the United States.

## Syrian forces bomb mosque, activists say

By DIAA HADID The Associated Press

BEIRUT — Syrian forces dropped a crude bomb on a mosque that was being used as a school in a rebel-held neighborhood of a key northern city on Tuesday, killing at least five people, including children, activists said.

The bombing —one of at least seven around Aleppo on Tuesday — came amid an intensified campaign by President Bashar Assad's government to take back parts of the city that were seized by rebels in mid-2012.

Far from the battlegrounds in Syria, Assad's biggest international ally expressed confidence the government would return to the U.N.-hosted peace talks in Geneva that are trying to find a solution to the conflict.

Russia's deputy foreign minister and moscow's special envoy to the Middle East, Mikhail Bogdanov, said Tuesday he was sure the Syrian government would take part in the second round of the talks. Syria's crisis, which erupted as a peaceful uprising against Assad's rule in March 2011 but descended into an armed revolt and full-blown civil war, has killed more than 130,000 people and forced almost a third of the country's prewar population of 23 million from their homes.

"We have no doubts that the government representatives will take place in a second round of talks between the Syrian sides in Geneva," Bogdanov said in comments carried on Russian news agencies. "We hope that both sides will continue a patient, constructive discussion."

He spoke following a meeting in Moscow with a visiting Syrian opposition group, the Western-backed Syrian National Coalition.



ALEPPO MEDIA CENTER/AF

A Syrian man carries a wounded child following a Syrian government airstrike in Aleppo, Syria, on Monday. The barrage on opposition-held neighborhoods in Aleppo continued Tuesday, including an airstrike that hit a mosque being used as a school, activists said.

Assad's side has not committed or said publicly whether it would attend the next round, expected on Monday. The first round of talks in January failed to secure any meaningful agreement other than to meet again later this month for more talks.

Syria's opposition points to the air raids, especially the use of barrel bombs — crude devices packed with fuel, explosives and scraps of metal — in civilian areas, particularly over Aleppo, as evidence that Assad has little interest in peace.

The mosque targeted Tuesday in Aleppo the Uthman Bin Affan mosque in the Masaken Hanano district — was used as a religious school for children, said activist Hassoun Abu Faisal, of the Aleppo Media Center.

He said children were inside when it was hit with a barrel bomb. Footage posted on social media shows men carrying at least two lifeless bodies of children, covered in dust and blood. The area in the footage is strewn with rocks, concrete and bodies.

The lifeless bodies of an adult and a child are seen lying on the pavement. One man is seen walking past, clutching his head in anguish. The video was consistent with the Associated Press's reporting of the event.

#### Anne Frank's tin of marbles rediscovered

AMSTERDAM — Shortly before Anne Frank and her family went into hiding from the Nazis, she gave some of her toys to a non-Jewish girlfriend who lived in the building next door.

The Anne Frank House Museum said the toys have now been recovered and Anne's tin of marbles will go on display Wednesday at the Kunsthal art gallery in Rotterdam.

The neighbor, Toosje Kupers, kept the marbles along with a tea set and a book. It was only when Kupers, 83, was moving last year that she thought to mention the marbles to the museum.

Kupers told Dutch national broadcaster NOS that she didn't consider the marbles that special. She said shortly before the Frank family left the square they both lived on, the Merwedeplein, Anne approached her for a favor.

"i'Tm worried about my marbles, because I'm scared they might fall into the wrong hands," Kupers said Anne told her. "'Could you keep them for me for a little while?"

Anne died of typhus in the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in March 1945. Her diary was recovered and published after the war by her father Otto, the only member of the family to survive. It has become the most widely read document to emerge from the Holocaust.

## Police find cocaine in floating backpacks

MADRID — Spanish police say drug traffickers used a sophisticated system of floating backpacks with a tracking system to try to smuggle 2,000 pounds of cocaine into the country.

The Civil Guard's website on Tuesday said the drug was found in 37 backpacks floating in waters off a beach near the eastern city of Valencia.

The packs were tied to each other and had a tracking system so they could be located and picked up by traffickers. Police said the drug had been dropped off from a vessel farther out to sea.

A police statement said five Spaniards were arrested and \$97,000 in jewelry was confiscated.

## 2 Austrian Olympic athletes receive kidnap threats

By Eric Willemsen The Associated Press

VIENNA — The Austrian Olympic Committee has received an anonymous letter from Russia containing a kidnap threat against Alpine skier Marlies Schild and skeleton pilot Janine Flock during the Sochi Games.

The letter was delivered Monday into the mailbox of its Vienna office, AOC General Secretary Peter Mennel said Tuesday.

"We have immediately alerted the Federal Criminal Agency, which is investigating the case,"
Mennel said.

The AOC said in a statement that it was "not regarding it as an acute threat at the moment." Mennel discussed the matter

with Flock as they were sharing a flight from Vienna to Sochi on Tuesday, carrying many of the 130 Austrian Olympians on board.

"She is not worried. She trusts in our security measures," said Mennel, adding that Austrian athletes will be accompanied by task force Cobra when they leave the Olympic Village. Schild is scheduled to travel to

Schild is scheduled to travel to Russia next week as she will compete only in the women's slalom on Feb. 21.

Schild, who won silver in slalom in Vancouver four years ago, is set to compete in her fourth Olympics. In December, Schild captured the all-time record for most World Cup slalom wins by a female skier as she won her 35th event in Lienz, Austria.

Flock, who is set to make

her first Olympic appearance, won the European skeleton title last month by coming first in a World Cup event in Koenigssee, Germany.

The threat against Schild and Flock comes less than two weeks after a string of European Olympic committees, including Austria's, received emails containing terrorist threats against it sathletes in Sochi. However, the menacing messages were deemed a hoax by security experts, who said such threats were common ahead of big events.

From The Associated Press

## STARS STRIPES. OPINION

Max D. Lederer Jr., Publisher Richard Braun, General Manager, Europe John Panasiewicz, General Manager, Pacific Lt. Col. Jeff Mver. Europe commander Lt. Col. Brian Porter, Pacific commander

#### **EDITORIAL**

Terry Leonard, Editorial Director leonard.terry@stripes.com

Sam Amrhein, Deputy Managing Editor amrhein.sam@stripes.com

> Tina Croley, Enterprise Editor croley.tina@stripes.com

#### **BUREAU STAFF**

#### Europe/Mideast

Teddie Weyr, News Editor Europe/Mideast weyr.teddie@stripes.com; +49(0)631.3615.9310; cell

- +49(0)173.315.1881; DSN (314)583.9310
- Pacific

Paul Alexander, News Editor Pacific alexander.paul@stripes.com +81-3 6385.5377; cell (080)5883.1673 DSN (315)225.5377

#### Washington

Patrick Dickson, Washington Bureau Chief dickson.patrick@stripes.com (+1)(703)693.6957; DSN (312)223.6957 Brian Bowers, Assistant Managing Editor, News bowers.brian@stripes.com Joe Gromelski, Assistant Managing Editor, Web gromelski.joe@stripes.com Sean Moores, Assistant Managing Editor, Sports, Features and Graphics moores.sean@stripes.com

#### **CONTACT US**

#### Washington

tel: (+1)202.761.0900; DSN (312)763.0900; fax: (+1)202.761.0890 529 14th Street NW, Suite 350, Washington, DC 20045-1301

Reader letters letters@stripes.com

Additional contacts

stripes.com/contactus

#### **OMBUDSMAN**

Frnie Gates

The Stars and Stripes ombudsman protects the free flow of news and information, reporting any attempts by the military or other authorities any attempts by the military or other authorities to undermine the newspaper's independence. The ombudsman also responds to concerns and questions from readers, and monitors coverage for fairness, accuracy, timeliness and balance. The ombudsman welcomes comments from readers, and can be contacted by email at ombudsman@ stripes.com, or by phone at 202.761.0587.

Stars and Stripes (USPS 0417900) is published weekdays (except Dec. 25 and Jan. 1) for 50 cents Monday through Thursday and for \$1 on Friday worlday infough intribudy and for \$1 on Friday by Pacific Stars and Stripes, Unit 45002, APO AP 96338-5002. Periodicals postage paid at San Francisco, CA, Postmaster. Send address changes to Pacific Stars and Stripes, Unit 45002, APO AP 96338-5002

This newspaper is authorized by the Department of Defense for members of the military services overseas. However, the contents of Stars and Stripes are unofficial, and are not to be considered as the official views of, or endorsed by, the U.S. government. As a DOD newspaper, Stars and Stripes may be distributed through official channels and use appropriated funds for distribution to remote locations where overseas DOD personnel are located.

The appearance of advertising in this publication does not constitute endorsement by the Department of Defense or Stars and Stripes of the products or services advertised. Products or services advertised shall be made available for purchase, use or patronage without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, physical handicap, political affiliation or any other nonmerit factor of the purchaser, user or patron.

© Stars and Stripes 2014

stripes.com

## Putin's losing the Sochi Olympics game

By Jackson Diehl The Washington Post

his was to be the week Vladimir Putin reintroduced Russia to the world: a confident, economically booming power whose influence in Eastern Europe and the Middle East is coming back; whose ability to block and counter the United States is re-established; and which offers, through Putin, a new model of conservatism for those disenchanted with the liberal West.

Yet that is not how it is turning out. Beginning Friday, the Sochi Olympics are more likely to become a forum for the demonstration of how and why Putin's rule of Russia has failed - and how his power is ebbing both abroad and at home.

Start with the scene in Sochi. Putin recently said that he "would like the participants, fans, journalists and all those who watch the Games on television to see a new Russia, see its face and possibilities." Here's the storylines the games so far have created: the Stalinist excess of a record \$50 billion spent, of which most may have been stolen; the hate speech directed by Putin at the gay community and the protests that has engendered; and, most ominously, the "black widows" and other terrorists who may stalk the games.

The civilized world will pray that the terrorists don't succeed. But they may also have cause to reflect on how, exactly, Russia came to have some of the world's most virulent homegrown Islamic jihadists. The simple answer is that Putin launched his career in 1999 by invading the then-autonomous Caucasian republic of Chechnya. He crushed its secular and democratically elected government, destroyed its capital with indiscriminate artillery fire and then claimed that anyone who resisted was a terrorist whom he would "rub out in the outhouse." His propaganda proved selffulfilling, and the extremists he created



#### Russian President Vladimir Putin listens to a translation during an interview in Sochi, site of the 2014 Winter Olympics

Reflection on Chechnya naturally leads to consideration of Syria, where Putin has backed the regime of Bashar Assad in a nearly identical strategy for combatting what began as a mass secular protest movement. The results are the same: the appearance of a Syrian al-Qaida corps that did not previously exist. A few months ago, many believed that Putin had nevertheless succeeded in resuscitating Assad, and with him Russia's place in the Middle East. He had prevented U.S. airstrikes and diverted the West into negotiating with the regime.

Now Putin's Syria gambit is curdling. Last week Assad's envoys to the Geneva peace talks embarrassed even the Russian delegation with their histrionic antics. while the State Department reported that Assad's fulfillment of a promise to hand over chemical weapons "has seriously languished and stalled." On the ground, deliveries of Russian arms to Assad's forces have failed to break a stalemate, and independent analysts are predicting a renewed rebel offensive in Damascus this spring.

Syria may not benefit much from these developments, but Russia and Putin are paying a price. A man deeply preoccupied with his self-image as the bare-chested ruler of a superpower saw himself humili-ated at an E.U.-Russia summit last week, denied the traditional dinner by Europeans disgusted by his foreign policy. That came after President Barack Obama failed even to mention Russia or its leader in his State of the Union speech. The "reset" of U.S.-Russian relations, which allowed Putin to present himself as the natural counterpart to the U.S. president, has been rubbed out.

What about Putin's new model of authoritarian government based on "traditional values," such as homophobia? Ask Ukrainians. The story of their political crisis is, to a large degree, a story of Putin's attempt to install his model in a country that has been bonded to Russia for centuries and where one-sixth of the population is ethnic Russian. That includes the anti-gay agenda. Putin's surrogates and Russian media have claimed the Western-backed Ukrainian opposition wants to undermine the country's heterosexual norms.

The Ukraine drama is not yet over, but what we know is that Putin's ideology was rejected by the vast majority of Ukrainians, who occupied nearly every town hall after the government adopted anti-protest laws imported from Russia. Again Putin will pay a price, in the probable collapse of his dream of a "Eurasian Union" that would rival the EU and restore most of Moscow's Soviet sphere of hegemony.

What about in Russia itself? Putin's policies play better at home, to be sure. But there, too, all is not well. Once-robust economic growth has stalled, the ruble is plunging in value, badly needed foreign investment is scarce and anger at Sochistyle corruption simmers. When the independent Levada center polled Russians last month on whether they wanted Putin to remain president after his current term expires, 22 percent said yes and 47 percent said no. The "new Russia" Putin will unveil in Sochi doesn't look likely to last.

Jackson Diehl is deputy editorial page editor for The Washington Post

## How Obamacare killed immigration reform

By MARC A. THIESSEN

arack Obama has all but conceded his lame-duck status. His State of the Union address was bereft of big ideas. And his declaration that he will use his "pen and a phone" to issue a raft of executive orders is an admission of political impotence - a presidency reduced to small-ball initiatives like creating 'mvRA" savings accounts and raising the minimum wage for federal contractors

The one exception - his one last shot at a major legislative achievement - was comprehensive immigration reform. But that isn't happening either.

The reason can be summed up in one word: Obamacare.

"Comprehensive" is Washington-speak for "big." And in the wake of the Obam-acare debacle, no one is interested in anything big from Barack Obama.

"I try to focus not on the fumbles but on the next plan," Obama said this past weekend. But when you fumble as spectacularly as the president did with Obamacare, people don't trust your next plan.

It's not just that Americans don't trust the president's competence. Increasingly, they don't trust him — period. A majority believe the president passed Obamacare on the basis of a lie. And when you lie to people, they stop listening to you. Obama's State of the Union address garnered the lowest ratings of any president in 14 years - with 19 million fewer viewers than his first address in 2009. Obama can't rally the country around big ideas when millions of Americans are tuning him out.

And Obama certainly can't rally Congress around big ideas when he is simultaneously declaring his intention to circumvent it. Every time Obama men-tions using his "pen and a phone," he reminds Republicans that he can undo any immigration deal he reaches with them with a stroke of his pen—gutting border-enforcement provisions while pocketing legalization. As Rep. Paul Ryan, a leading GOP supporter of immigration reform, put it this weekend: "We have an increasingly lawless presidency, where he is actually doing the job of Congress, writing new policies and new laws without going through Congress, ... We don't trust the president to enforce the law."

Ryan is right. Whether it is ignoring the law that requires him to suspend U.S. assistance to Egypt following a coup, or delaying the implementation of the Obam-acare employer mandate even though nothing in the law permits him to do so, or issuing an executive order directing immigration officers to no longer deport an entire class of illegal immigrants who came here as children, regardless of individual circumstances — Obama has repeatedly shown his contempt for the law. Through his words ("you can keep your plan"), actions (selectively enforcing the law) and incompetence (Healthcare.gov), Obama has eroded the trust needed to do big things. And that makes it unlikely we will see any

major initiatives signed into law for the remainder of his time in office.

But the damage is deeper than the impact on Obama's closing years in office. Americans have lost confidence not only in Obama's competence but also in the competence of the federal government. And therein lies the great, unintended conservative achievement of the Obama presidency: Barack Obama has done more to discredit the cause of big government than a thousand Reagan speeches ever did.

After five years of Obama, 72 percent of Americans now say big government is the biggest threat to our country - the highest that number has been in 50 years of polling. Even 56 percent of Democrats agree. In other words, when people look back at the Obama era, they will not say, as he hoped, that this is the moment when the rise of the oceans began to slow. They will say it was the moment when the rise in support for big government began to slow and. indeed, reverse.

For the next quarter-century, anytime a liberal politician proposes a big-government program, all conservatives will have to say to discredit it is: "It's just another Obamacare."

That, in the end, will be this president's lasting achievement - what Obama will ultimately be remembered for long after his presidency is over.

Marc A. Thiessen is a fellow with the American Enterprise Institute. He writes a weekly column for The Washington Post.

# Executive orders serve up more pingpong

By PHILLIP J. COOPER

hen President Barack Obama announced in last week's State of the Union address that he would use executive orders to achieve his policy goals, he didn't make any Republican friends.

"We continue to erode the whole notion of the rule of law," Sen. Tim Scott, R-S.C., said. "To the extent that he continues to move unilaterally without the consent of Congress, I think it doesn't sit well with a message of unity."

Of course, Obama is hardly the first president to use unilateral action to accomplish his goals. And as he goes it alone, he will face the same consequences that previous administrations did. Some of his executive orders will endure, but with others, the president will find that the next chief executive is as ready to change policy as he is.

Particularly in the years since Ronald Reagan, presidents have come to the White House ready to sweep aside previous administrations' policies and go around Congress, moving to enact their own policies without waiting for legislation or executive branch agencies. Indeed, moves to reverse one's predecessor can look like presidential pingpong.

Reagan, for example, issued the highly controversial Mexico City Policy directive, blocking U.S. aid to organizations providing abortion counseling. That policy was immediately reversed by Bill Clinton, only to be just as quickly reinstated by George W. Bush and rejected again by Obama. The same thing happened with security classification—Jimmy Carter limited what government information could be restricted as classified before Reagan required more security controls. Then, Reagan was overruled by Clinton, who was overruled by Bush, who was overruled by Dush, who was overruled by Bush, who was overruled by Dobama.

Some presidential directives are mun-

dane—orders managing civil-service employees or military personnel, for example—but many others, such as the stack of orders and memoranda issued by Bush in the months after the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, have had broad and lasting effects. They can be used to create or reorganize executive branch offices or agencies, such as John F. Kennedy's order creating the Peace Corps and Bush's creation of the Office of Homeland Security. And, of course, the Bush administration used executive orders to establish its Guantanamo detention

policies.

Such orders also direct U.S. relationships abroad. Forty-four executive orders on foreign policy — 33 from Bush, 11 from Dama — were issued between 2001 and 2011. Some were obvious choices, such as freezing Iraqi assets during the Iraq War. But obvious choices can have surprising consequences of which the public is

Bush's order, for example, targeted those who "have committed, or ... pose a significant risk of committing, an act or acts of violence that have the purpose or effect of: (A) threatening the peace or stability of Iraq or the Government of Iraq; or (B) undermining efforts to promote economic reconstruction and political reform in Iraq or to provide humanitarian assistance to the Iraqi people." This broad, vague order gave the secretary of the treasury authority to establish lists of people with whom Americans could not have financial interactions. Obama kept this order in force, and the list is now 589 triple-column pages in length.

Executive orders can be used to do endruns around Congress. They are quick and easy ways to take action. They can convey a sense of purpose, rally supporters and address dire problems, and they are not easy to challenge — at least while the president who signed them is in office. Commissions



created by executive order investigated Iran-Contra in the Reagan years and the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in 2010, and coordinated Hurricane Katrina response during the Bush administration. Presidents who want to get things done without waiting, but face a Congress opposed to their policies, may find executive orders as attractive as the other side of the aisle finds them frustrating.

At the same time, executive orders can exacerbate tensions with other branches, within the executive branch, or with state and local governments. They can also be overturned in court, as was Clinton's order preventing the government from hiring contractors that replace striking workers. Worst of all, executive orders can raise questions about the rule of law and doubts

But the key to understanding these tools is to see the whole playbook, not just a particular play. Presidents use different kinds of direct-action tools — memoranda such as Obama's myRA policy, signing statements such as Bush's circumvention of a

about the legitimacy of presidents' actions

as Obama's myRA policy, signing statements such as Bush's circumvention of a law outlawing mistreatment of detainees, and proclamations and national security directives — in different ways. We must watch how a president uses such powers before passing judgment. And fans of one president have to know that the subsequent ones will use them as they see fit.

In presidential pingpong, the next player can always change the game.

Phillip J. Cooper is a professor in the Hatfield School of Government at Portland State University. This column first appeared in The Washington Post.

## Attorneys general overreach with 'litigation vetoes'

By John Suthers

A ttorneys general, both state and federal, are entrusted with the power and responsibility to enforce and defend laws created by the political process, which can be highly contentious. They are to do so without political influence.

I have been attorney general of Colorado for nine years, during which time the state has enacted laws that span the philosophical and political spectrum. I personally oppose a number of Colorado's laws as a matter of public policy, and a few are contrary to my religious beliefs. But as my state's attorney general, I have defended them all—and will continue to.

Recently, however, attorneys general in Virginia, Pennsylvania and California have given in to the temptation to abuse the power entrusted to our position by refusing to defend their states' bans on same-sex marriage in court. Depending on one's view of the laws in question, such a "litigation veto" may, in the short term, be a terrific thing; an unpopular law is defanged and the attorney general can take credit — indeed, he can be the hero to his political base and keep his political ambitions

But in the longer term, this practice corrodes our system of checks and balances, public belief in the power of democracy and ultimately the moral and legal authority on which attorneys general must depend.

To be sure, there will be occasions where

Attorneys general have an ethical obligation to provide zealous representation of their clients — in this case, the people whose laws they are charged with defending.

no attorney general can in good faith defend a law. There is clear high court precedent that decides some issues. Recently, my office was obliged to admit that the First Amendment prevents us from enforcing a Colorado law requiring marijuana-focused magazines to be hidden from children in stores. This was difficult, as I support efforts to shield children from what I view as the deleterious effects of our new world of state-legalized marijuana. But the binding precedent was clear, on point and unavoidable.

That's not yet the case with state laws banning same-sex marriage. While the Supreme Court has invalidated the federal Defense of Marriage Act, which denied federal benefits to gay couples who are legally married in their states, it declined to review the constitutionality of a state ban on gay marriage. In fact, the court declined to rule because the California attorney general refused to appeal a federal district court decision in favor of gay marriage and the justices found that the appellant had no standing to bring the issue to the high court. Attorneys general must play their assigned role in the system to ensure legal controversies are resolved.

It appears that some attorneys general are wielding the litigation veto for the same reasons a governor might wield a constitutional veto. They strongly disagree with the law. But in contrast to the president or a governor, there is no constitutional authority for this litigation veto. To the contrary, it undermines many important principles of our democracy.

Legislation that has been duly enacted and signed into law by the people's representatives (or, in the case of initiatives, by the people themselves) should not be lightly abandoned. While attorneys general are typically more accountable to the people than are the courts, they still are not part of the lawmaking apparatus; they are elected or appointed to defend the laws, not to undermine them. Attorneys general have an ethical obligation to provide zeal-ous representation of their clients — in this case, the people whose laws they are charged with defending.

Even when the litigation veto leaves states, or the federal government, in the politically "right" position, it undermines our democratic culture. Corrections of legislative mistakes should come from the people or their legislatures, except when the separation of powers requires courts to step in and uphold constitutional principles.

I fear that refusing to defend unpopular or politically distasteful laws will ultimately weaken the legal and moral authority that attorneys general have earned and depend on. We will become viewed as simply one more player in a political system rather than as legal authorities in a legal system. The courts, the governments we represent and, most important, the people we serve will treat our pronouncements and arguments with skepticism and cynicism. One must be cynical when an attorney general refuses to defend a controversial law as 'clearly unconstitutional" when there is no binding precedent and it is apparent to most knowledgeable people that the U.S. Supreme Court is likely to decide the case on a 5-4 vote.

It can be hard to resist the urge to effectively purge from the books a law one finds unwise and possibly unjust. My hope, though, is that my colleagues will recognize that our system of divided power—however messy, frustrating or imperfect—is more important than any particular law it may produce. If they do, I am confident that their use of the litigation veto will fade and the task of correcting lawmaking mistakes will return to the people, the leg-mistakes will return to the people, the leg-

islative branch and, when necessary, the courts.

John Suthers is attorney general of Colorado. This column first appeared in The Washington Post.

Page 14 第3種郵便物認可 \*Stars and Stripes\* Wednesday, February 5, 2014

#### WIRED WORLD



PHOTOS BY DAI SUGANO, (SAN RAMON, CALIF.) BAY AREA NEWS GROUP/MCT

Abe Kislevitz, GoPro's senior production artist, demonstrates using a drone with a GoPro camera in San Mateo, Calif.

#### By PATRICK MAY San Jose Mercury News

Oh, the things people do with their GoPros.

Users have strapped the small cameras to themselves and then cliff-diwed into the abys. They've attached them to their pets, bikes and cars. They've shot them into the air, dropped them into the ocean, and sent them flying everywhere in between.

All those happy customers have helped make this an awesome year so far for GoPro, the San Mateo, Calif-based startup whose high definition, built-for-action personal cameras are changing the way the world does photography. The company recently picked up its first tech Emmy. Its latest camera, the Hero3+, continues to get rave reviews. Its Facebook page has received more than 7 million likes and counting.

"It's pretty amazing how much change we've seen around here since we moved over from Half



Equipped with Wi-Fi, GoPro's Hero3+ can be linked to a phone, from which it can be controlled remotely.

# GoPro camera offers many cool things to do Moon Bay," said GoPro's senior Bursting out all over his board," for the prestigious

Moon Bay," said GoPro's senior production artist, Abe Kislev Itz, employee No. 29 on a staff now approaching 700 people. He recalled the days back at the oceanside perch where surfer dude-cum-frorbes billionaire CEO Nick Woodman first ran the GoPro show, "and when we weren't working, we'd be out surf-

ing every day."

Its affordable cameras and accessories are making even novices feel like action-film impressarios. Strapping the lightweight, rugged, palm-sized cameras on overything from wild lions to sky divers to world-class snowboarders, the GoPro has become the darling of the daredevil set. And with as little as \$200 and an openness to let your imagination run wild, anyone can join in.

We asked Kislevitz to demonstrate five cool things you can do with a GoPro. Scooping up two handfuls of equipment from the hilltop head-quarter's storage room ("For GoPro lovers, this room is heaven," he told us), Kislevitz took us outside to the adjacent Col-

GoPro lovers, this room is heaven," he told us), Kislevitz took us outside to the adjacent College of San Mateo football field. With its jaw-dropping bay views as a backdrop, he demonstrated the camera's burst mode, where holding down the shutter button lets you snap up to 30 photos in a single burst.

"And since the camera's equipped with Wi-Fi, I can link it to my iPhone and use that as my remote control," he said, placing the camera onto the ground and then jumping high above it while squeezing his iPhone trigger. The result: 30 crystal-clear, distinct frames of his airborne body with the morning sun beaming behind him. "This way, I can pick and choose the one frame that best captures me in the air and the sun together."

#### Smile: You're training

The GoPro's ideal for helping athletes and sports enthusiasts of all proficiency levels do what they do even better. Kislevitz said both the burst mode and the slow-motion video feature, which captures 120 frames per second, makes personal training more personal than ever before

Surf champion "Kelly Slater wore the camera on the front of his board" for the prestigious 2013 Pipeline Masters, Kislevitz said. "And then in his video posted on YouTube, he analyzed his own performance riding the wave. Here he is, the greatest surfer of all time, and he's watching himself and pointing out things he should have done better."

#### Up. up and away

OK, so this cool thing requires an investment of several hundred dollars for a personal drone. But once you've bought your DJ Phantom Quadcopter with the GoPro mount, you're in business, Kislevitz said as he used the Phantom's remote control to send the drone high above the football field. With a pivotal support called a gimbal keeping the drone and camera steady, and a tilt feature that allows the camera to pan in different directions, "we're getting beautiful ultra-HD video from the air.

"This technology lets us photograph places that in the past you'd need a helicopter or a zip line or a huge crane to get a camera even close to," he said.

#### **Get crazy**

One of the unique things about GoPro is the creative user community that's mushroomed around the company and its products ever since it started selling cameras about 10 years ago. "We held a GoPro summer camp at Whistler last year for kids as young as 12," Kislevitz said. "They started doing things like hitting the burst-mode switch and then throwing the camera in the air, so you could see all these pictures taken going up and then coming back down, which is something you can't do with any other camera."

With GoPro's developers constantly pushing the envelopers with new accessories, such as a ski helmet-mounted rotating bar with two cameras attached, and a Hero mounted on a Styrofoam wing with a propeller that they sent flying off a golf-course tea and then landed by remote control on the green. The video gives a golf-ball's-eye view of the word as the camera slides toward the

#### Messing with time

One of the GoPro's most popular and dazzling features is its ability to do time-lapse photography. Kislevitz explained how the Hero can be programmed to take a steady sequence of photos over time, with as few as one snap every minute. Then, using GoPro's free Studio editing software on a computer, the photos can be stitched together and then slowed down or sped up for different effects.

"We've seen people do twoweek road trips, where they'll use a suction cup to attach the camera to the dash and capture a

time-lapse view of the road."

That, Baker said, "can elevate
the traditional family road trip to
a whole new level."

# 'This is the right time to leave'

## Jay Leno says there will be no return to late night after his 2nd 'Tonight' exit

By Lynn Elber The Associated Press

av Leno, as affably efficient backstage as he is in front of the camera, avoids waxing poetic about his 22-year "Tonight Show" run that

draws to a close Thursday. Instead, he relies on numbers to tell the story. Leno's tenure is second only to Johnny Carson's 30 years; "Tonight" was No. 1 among viewers when he took it over and will be when he hands it off to Jimmy Fallon; he'll have taped more shows than any pre-decessor, Carson included, with the final and 4,610th one.

His dry assessment also might stem from a case of déjà vu. After all, he lived through this before when he surrendered "Tonight" in 2009 to Conan O'Brien, only to reclaim it after NBC's messy bobbling of the transition and O'Brien's lackluster ratings.

This time it's different, Leno contends, offering another hard fact: The older generation has to make way for the younger one.

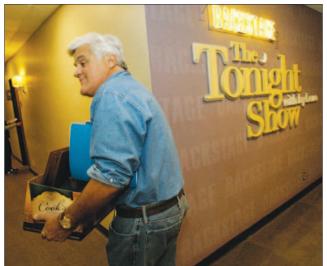
Britain's Queen Elizabeth II can keep 65-year-old Prince Charles cooling his heels. Leno doesn't have the power to do the same with Fallon, 39. The "Late Night" host is moving the show from its longtime Burbank, Calif., home to its New York birthplace when he debuts as host on Feb. 17.

"It's been a wonderful job but this is the right time to leave,' said Leno, whose once-dark mop of hair is now a neatly groomed silver. "I'm at that age where I don't really listen to the (current) music anymore. I'm not a big tweet guy. A 63-year-old guy reading Miley Cyrus' tweets is a

little creepy. Move on."

He makes the argument with the precision of one of his reliable monologue jokes, just as he did when he claimed to understand NBC's decision to evict him for O'Brien - even as he reamed the network on the air.

The years between then and now have seen changes come at a quickening pace, with an ever more crowded late-night arena and a shifting media environment. Fallon's parody music bits with contemporaries like Justin Timberlake are perfect cut-andpastes for sites like YouTube that



Jay Leno, host of "The Tonight Show," walks in a hallway at the studio on Jan. 28 in Burbank, Calif. Leno's final show, his 4,610th, will air Thursday. Jimmy Fallon takes over as host on Feb. 17.

drive young viewer attention and offer new potential for ad sales as network revenues shrink.

Leno is planning to expand the comedy club gigs he never abandoned and various outlets for his automotive passion, including the Web show "Jay Leno's Garage." and the magazine and newspaper pieces he writes. He insists his schedule won't include another late-night show, which could only be what he calls "Tonight Light."

"It's hard to re-create this mo-

ment. It's like the fighter coming back. You got to be world champion, so it's kind of silly," he said.

"Tonight," which launched in 1954, was shaped by original host Steve Allen and nurtured by successors Jack Paar and Carson. Following them represented the pinnacle for comedians, and it was the role Leno coveted and won upon Carson's 1992 retirement.

His first few months were marred by Leno's longtime manager Helen Kushnick, who, as his first "Tonight" executive pro-ducer, was blamed for instigating nasty guest booking wars and fired in what then was characterized as one of TV's biggest public-

ity nightmares.

Worse was to come, when NBC's "Tonight" host succession plan hatched in 2004 went awry. Leno, who stoically endured insults from Jimmy Kimmel and others who portrayed him as having stolen O'Brien's job, says the past is past, CBS' Letterman, who

Jav Leno 'Tonight Show' host, on his pending departure once jockeyed with Leno for Car-son's throne, echoed that.

"How long can I carry this with me?" he told Howard Stern during a SiriusXM interview Friday. He spoke of calling Leno when his second "Tonight" departure was announced, their first conversation in several years, and tipped his hat to his rival when Stern asked if Leno sounded sad.

"I wouldn't say sad. There's nothing to be sad about. He's had a tremendous career there," Letterman said, graciously

Leno's final show will feature Billy Crystal, his first "Tonight' guest, and Garth Brooks. Leno's legacy — a word that makes him squirm — might include expanding the show's opening monologue; a memorable mea culpa from Hugh Grant after he was arrested in 1995 with a prostitute: the first interview with a sitting president, Barack Obama, in 2009; and the "Jaywalking" fix-ture, which trips up people with simple questions.

Leno's favorite Q&A is that those queried about how Mount Rushmore was formed often reply, "erosion." His head-shaking reaction: "The wind and rain not only picked four presidents, it picked four of our greatest presidents!"

Was he the most daring, most innovative, most surprising force in late-night? His critics and even clear-eyed admirers said no, and Leno doesn't argue with them

 but that's not what counts, he adds: "Whether you like the host or not, you cannot say it's not been a success. A football team might not have the most sophisticated players but can win the Super

Bowl." Leno cannot be called unsophisticated but he is determined-ly un-show biz. He makes note of his modest New England upbringing, the high school friends he remains close to, his three-decade marriage to his wife, Mavis, and the many "Tonight" staffers who remained loyal throughout his tenure.

The day after Leno steps off the "Tonight" stage, the one designed for him, he will travel to Florida for a handful of club dates, his wife at his side. And, he said, he'll be content with that.

I'm at that age where I don't really listen to the (current) music anymore. I'm not a big tweet guy. A 63-year-old guy reading Miley Cyrus' tweets is a little creepy. Move on. 7

## Official: Packets found in Hoffman's apartment contained heroin

The Associated Press

Tests confirmed there was heroin in at least some of the scores of plastic packets in the New York City apartment where Philip Seymour Hoffman was found dead on Sunday, a law enforcement official said, and authorities are working to determine whether the drug was mixed or tainted.

Medical examiners have not made a determination of the cause of the actor's death, but police have been investigating it as an overdose. Hoffman, 46, was found in a bathroom with a syringe in his arm, law enforcement officials have said.

Questions have swirled about whether Hoffman's death could be linked to a potent blend of heroin and synthetic morphine that has been tied to deaths elsewhere, although as yet there are no official findings pointing to that scenario.

#### Other news

■ A judge said Chris Brown should remain in a rehabilitation facility and turned down a prosecutor's motion to have the R&B singer jailed over an arrest in Washington, D.C., last year. Los Angeles Superior Court Judge James Brandlin said Brown appears to be making progress in a treatment facil-ity and should remain there.

■ William "Bunny Rugs" Clarke, the lead singer of popular reggae band Third World, died of leukemia at his home in Florida, friends and colleagues said Monday. He was 65. Clarke worked with top reggae producer Lee "Scratch" Perry in Jamaica before joining Third World in 1976. The band had hits on British and U.S. charts. including "Now That We Found Love " "Always Around" and "Reggae Ambassador."

## AMERICAN ROUNDUP

#### Police: Couple ran sham military collection

OCALA - A central Florida couple have been arrested after police say they set up a sham military donation operation.

Investigators said Gloria Dianne Woodside and her boyfriend. Stephen J. Concannon, sold military paraphernalia in front of an Ocala store while dressed in fatigues.

An officer approached Concannon and said he'd received a complaint the activity might be fraudulent

The officer asked Concannon for documents proving he had authorization to sell the merchandise. Concannon claimed to be from a Kissimmee Navy SEALs foundation, but when the officer called a number on one of the documents he provided. Concannon's phone rang.

Police said Concannon admitted the operation was fake, and that he told police he usually made \$200 per day and that his girlfriend was involved.

#### Man survives attack by mountain lion

PERRIS - A homeless man repeatedly was bitten and clawed by a mountain lion at a Southern California encampment, but was expected to survive, state game wardens said Sunday.

The unidentified man, believed to be in his 50s, was camping near State Route 74 west of Perris late Saturday when he was mauled, California Department of Fish and Game Lt. Patrick Foy said.

Foy said the man didn't know what attacked him, but puncture wounds, bite marks and cuts to his body indicate he was mauled by a big cat.

We are about 99 percent that it was a lion," Foy said. "The conclusion is based solely on the victim's injuries and the extent of the injuries.'

The man was recovering at a hospital after undergoing emergency surgery.

"He's lucky to be alive," Foy

#### **Customer, guards foil** robbery outside bank

ATLANTIC CITY- Authorities said a would-be robber who attacked an elderly man outside a southern New Jersey bank was captured after another elderly man and two bank security guards came to the victim's aid

Atlantic City police said Calvin Wiggins, 20, faces robbery charges.

The 75-year-old victim was attacked about 9:30 a.m. Friday, shortly after he used an ATM at the bank. Police said Wiggins knocked the victim down and started going through his pockets.

Another elderly man tried to help the victim by hitting Wiggins with his cane. The man then alerted two bank security guards, who helped detain Wiggins until police arrived.

The victim apparently was not



BRANDY BAKER, DETROIT NEWS/AP

## Taking a close look

Lauren Tandy, 5, goes nose-to-nose Sunday with her Saint Berdoodle, Capone, after passing the judging stand in the Doggie Fashion Parade in Detroit. Dozens of pooches showcased their best looks at the event that also included carriage rides, skiing, crafts and hikes.

injured in the attack.

#### Sweet Pea the shark ray delivers 6 pups

NEWPORT Newport Aquarium is celebrating the births of six healthy shark rays.

The rays are among the first of their kind born in captivity.

Three males and three females were born Jan. 24, but aquarium officials waited a few days to make the announcement.

General Curator Mark Dvorak said the animal husbandry team wanted some time to observe the newborns and wanted to see how many would survive. A seventh pup died shortly after birth.

Dvorak said the pups were removed from their mother, Sweet Pea, because sharks don't care

for their young. The births came earlier than expected. The aquarium had just announced on Jan. 14 that Sweet Pea was pregnant.

#### Thousands of starfish beached on island

HARLINGEN combination of weather conditions beached thousands of starfish along the beaches of an island located in South Texas, near the border with Mexico.

High winds, rough seas and strong currents caused the mass stranding of thousands of starfish along the beaches of South Padre Island, east of Brownsville.

THE CENSUS



# \$70K

safety scored in refunds for customers of a Birmingham, Ala.-area jeweler. Jeff Dennis Jewelers ran a promotion the past two weeks that promised all of his customers cash refunds on their purchases if a safety was scored in the Super Bowl by either team. And they would get to keep their jewelry. On the first snap of the game, the center snapped the ball over Denver Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning's head, and the ball was recovered in the end zone by the Broncos, resulting in a safety for the Seattle Seahawks.

It was initially thought that the beaching was caused by the unusually cold temperatures affecting the area last week. Dr. David Hicks, chair of the Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Texas at Brownsville, cites a combination of weather factors and the possibility that the starfish were feeding on shallow waters at the time

#### Residents call police over flying drone

LA VERGNE — Residents in a neighborhood in La Vergne have reported sightings of a flying drone to police.

The flying machine was spotted Thursday in the Knollwood neighborhood, spurring curiosity and concern about what the drone's operator was up to.

Resident Carolyn Hickerson said the drone appeared to be taking pictures of people's homes. By Friday, police were asking residents to watch for remotecontrolled aircraft

Hickerson later saw a man she believes had been flying the drone up the street. He drove away in a silver Corvette with a Florida license plate.

Authorities said the drone may be in use by a roofing company planning to solicit residents.

#### Girl Scout troop's cookie money stolen

PHOENIX - A Girl Scout troop says someone stole the money they made from cookie sales outside a Phoenix supermarket.

A mother supervising the group put down the bag, which contained \$650, for a moment about 7 p.m. Friday.

The group had been loading unsold cookies at the time of the theft

From wire reports

# U.S. GOV'T GOLD AT-COST

TODAY - United States Gold & Silver Reserve has scheduled what could be the final release of U.S. government-issued \$5 gold coins previously held at the U.S. Mint at West Point. These government-issued gold coins are being released on a first-come, first-served basis for the incredible markup-free price of only \$135 per coin. Please be advised: Our at-cost U.S. government gold inventory will be available at this special price while supplies last or for up to 30 days. Do not delay. Call a Portfolio Manager today.

#### **OWN GOV'T-ISSUED GOLD COINS**

DUE TO STRICT LIMITED AVAILABILITY, TELEPHONE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS ACCORDING TO THE TIME AND DATE OF THE ORDER.

PURE COST - NO DEALER MARKUP! \$13500EACH



If you've been waiting to move your hard-earned money into precious metals, now is the time to consider transferring your U.S. dollars into United States government gold. The gold market is on the move,

and has been up as much as 352% over the past 10 years —outpacing the DOW, NASDAQ and S&P 500. Call immediately to order your United States gold coins direct from our Main Vault Facility, at-cost for the amazing price of only \$135 per coin. Special arrangements can be made for gold purchases over \$50,000. Order your gold today!

- 1 U.S. Gov't-Issued Gold Coin \$135 (PLUS INSURANCE, SHIPPING & HANDLING \$15.00)
- 5 U.S. Gov't-Issued Gold Coins \$675 (PLUS INSURANCE, SHIPPING & HANDLING \$25.00)
- 10 U.S. Gov't-Issued Gold Coins \$1,350 (PLUS INSURANCE, SHIPPING & HANDLING \$35.00)

THE MARKETS FOR COINS ARE UNREGILATED, PRICES CAN RISE OR FALL AND CARRY SOME RISKS MANACE OF THE COIN OR THE MARKET CANNOT PREDICT FUTURE PERFORMANCE. SPELLA LATCOST OFFER IS STRICTLY MUTTED TO ONLY ONE LIFETIME PURCHASE OF 10 AT COST COINS (REGARDLESS OF PRICE PART). THE MOUSE MUST CANNOT CANN

**CALL TOLL-FREE (7 Days A Week)** 

1-855-205-5163

MASTERCARD • VISA • AMEX • DISCOVER CHECK • BANK WIRE • ACH

to show detail.

© 2014 United States Gold & Silver Reserve

UNITED STATES GOLD & SILVER RESERVE

Vault No. STAR1-135

Page 18 第3種郵便物認可 • STARS AND STRIPES • Wednesday, February 5, 2014

## **BUSINESS/WEATHER**

# **Google told to move mystery barge**

By MICHAEL LIEDTKE AND MARTHA MENDOZA The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Google does not have the proper permits for a mystery barge at a construction site on an island in San Francisco Bay, a state official said, and must move the floating, four-story building that drew wide attention and fueled weeks of speculation when it was erected last fall.

"It needs to move," Larry Goldzband, executive director of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, said Monday.

The commission investigated numerous complaints and found that neither the Treasure Island Development Authority nor the city of San Francisco had applied for required permits for the work to be done at the site and could face fines and enforcement proceedings, Goldzband said.

Goldzband said Google can resolve the issue by moving the barge to one of the fully permitted construction facilities in the San Francisco Bay.

viewing a letter from Goldzband outlining the commission's concerns about the secretive project.

Google has been vague about plans for the barge or a similar vessel off the East Coast and says they may change, but preliminary planning documents and a subsequent statement from the company said the barge would be an interactive space for people to learn about technology as it traveled from dock to dock.

The documents ended weeks of speculation that the barge would be a party boat, data storage center or a store for Google to sell its Internet-connected glasses.

Now it has apparently become another headache for the search giant in its dealings with San Francisco, 40 miles north of its corporate headquarters in Mountain View, Calif.

Google also has been at the center of a city controversy over



wo men fish in front of a Google barge in San Francisco in October.

private buses that several large tech companies use to transpost workers south to Silicon Valley. Some community members say the buses are congesting city bus stops, so the city recently voted to charge the companies for each stop the buses make.

The space to build the barge is being leased by the Treasure Island Development Authority for \$79,000 per month under a contract set to expire in August, according to agency records.

MARKET WATCH						
Feb. 3, 2014						
Dow Jones	-326.05					
industrials	15,372.80					
Nasdaq	-106.92					
composite	3,996.96					
Standard &	-40.70					
Poor's 500	1,741.89					
Russell	-36.30					
2000						

1.094.58

EXCHANGE RATES

INTEREST RATES	
rime rate	
ederal funds market rate	0.07
month bill	
0-year bond	

#### WEATHER OUTLOOK

#### WEDNESDAY IN THE MIDDLE EAST KAZAKHSTAN 20/4 UZBEKISTAN AZERBAIJAN TURKMENISTAN 46/29 AEGHANISTAN: Kandahar 🚐 39/28 • PAKISTAN 63/55 58/41 Riyadh Doha 68/56 Doha OMAN SAUDI ARARIA Arabian Sea YEMEN 89/71 Gulf of Aden





#### Wednesday's US temperature

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	Chattanooga	50	28	Cldy	Fort Wayne	24	3	Snow	Louisville	31	11	Cldy	Pocatello	14	2	Cldy	Shreveport	40	27	Cldy
Abilene, Texas	27	12	Cldy	Cheyenne	0	-10	Clr	Fresno	58	38	PCIdy	Lubbock	22	10	Cldy	Portland, Maine	30	15	Snow	Sioux City	6	-8	Cĺr
Akron, Ohio	28	8	Snow	Chicago	22	-2	Snow	Goodland	2	-12	Clr	Macon	66	37	Rain	Portland, Ore.	27	18	Clr	Sioux Falls		-11	Clr
Albany, N.Y.	29	14	Snow	Cincinnati	29	12	Cldy	Grand Junction	29	14	Cldy	Madison	14	-9	Cldy	Providence	33	22	Snow	South Bend	22	5	Snow
Albuquerque	42	24	Cldy	Cleveland	26	10	Snow	Grand Rapids	22	10	Snow	Medford	44	24	Cldy	Pueblo	6	-9	Clr	Spokane	11	-1	Clr
Allentown, Pa.	32	17	Snow	Colorado Springs		-4	Clr	Great Falls	-8	-19	Clr	Memphis	35	21	Cldy	Raleigh-Durham	59	34	Rain	Springfield, III.	23	-7	Cldy
Amarillo	18	4	Cldy	Columbia, S.C.	69	38	Rain	Green Bay	15	-8	Cldy	Miami Beach	83	70	Cldy	Rapid City		-15	Clr	Springfield, Mo.	19	-1	Cldy
Anchorage	24	12	PCIdy	Columbus, Ga.	62	36	Cldy	Greensboro, N.C.	61	31	Rain	Midland-Odessa	30	18	Cldy	Reno	43	26	Cldy	Syracuse	29	12	Snow
Asheville	57	26	Cldy	Columbus, Ohio	30	11	Cldy	Harrisburg	34	19	Cldy	Milwaukee	20	-4	Snow	Richmond	59	31	Rain	Tallahassee	72	44	Cldy
Atlanta	57	32	Cldy	Concord, N.H.	29	11	Snow	Hartford Spgfld.	31	17	Snow	Mpls-St. Paul	6	-12	Clr	Roanoke	56	28	Rain	Tampa	78	63	Cldy
Atlantic City	43	23	Rain	Corpus Christi	60	41	PCldy	Helena	-4	-18	Clr	Missoula		-15	Clr	Rochester	26	15	Snow	Toledo	25	5	Snow
Austin	50	28	Cldy	Dallas-Ft. Worth	36	20	Cldy	Honolulu	78	67	Cldy	Mobile	59	31	Cldy	Rockford	18	-9	Snow	Topeka	10	-7	Clr
Baltimore	40	24	Rain	Dayton	27	8	Cldy	Houston	54	33	PCIdy	Montgomery	54	30	Cldy	Sacramento	57	38	PCldy	Tucson	63	37	PCIdy
Baton Rouge	54	31	PCldy	Daytona Beach	81	61	Cldy	Huntsville	44	26	Rain	Nashville	36	24	Cldy	St. Louis	24	0	Cldy	Tulsa	20	4	Cldy
Billings;	-5	-21	Clr	Denver	5	-8	Clr	Indianapolis	26	3	Cldy	New Orleans	57	36	PCldy	St. Petersburg	77	63	Cldy	Tupelo	42	25	Cldy
Birmingham	47	28	Cldy	Des Moines	7	-10	Clr	Jackson, Miss.	45	26	PCIdy	New York City	31	25	Snow	St. Thomas	85	76	Rain	Waco	41	21	Cldy
Bismarck	0	-11	Clr	Detroit	26	8	Snow	Jacksonville	78	50	Cldy	Newark	32	24	Snow	Salem, Ore.	30	15	Clr	Washington	45	27	Rain
Boise	28	11	Cldy	Duluth	3	-14	Clr	Juneau	24	16	Clr	Norfolk, Va.	63	34	Rain	Salt Lake City	33	21	Cldy	W. Palm Beach	83	68	Cldy
Boston	33	21	Snow	El Paso	49	30	Cldy	Kansas City	9	-10	Clr	North Platte		-13	Snow	San Angelo	36	17	Cldy	Wichita	10	-3	Clr
Bridgeport	32	22	Snow	Elkins	43	21	Rain	Key West	81	72	PCIdy	Oklahoma City	16	7	Cldy	San Antonio	54	30	Cldy	Wichita Falls	25	11	Cldy
Brownsville	68	49	PCldy	Erie	27	12	Snow	Knoxville	50	27	Cldy	Omaha	7	-10	Cĺr	San Diego	62	51	Clr	Wilkes-Barre	34	16	Snow
Buffalo	26	12	Snow	Eugene	32	14	Clr	Lake Charles	57	33	PCIdy	Orlando	85	64	Cldy	San Francisco	56	46	PCldy	Wilmington, Del.	37	23	Rain
Burlington, Vt.	26	9	Snow	Evansville	30	10	Snow	Lansing	21	7	Snow	Paducah	30	12	Snow	San Jose	57	43	PCIdy	Yakima	19	-1	Clr
Caribou, Maine	18	-3	Cldv	Fairbanks	5	-9	CIr	Las Vegas	56	38	PCldv	Pendleton	15	5	PCldv	San Juan, P.R.	83	74	Rain	Youngstown	28	9	Snow
Casper	-4	-18	Snow	Fargo	0	-13	CIr	Lexinaton	35	12	Cldv	Peoria	20	-8	Cldv	Santa Fe	35	16	Cldv				
Charleston, S.C.	73	43	Rain	Flagstaff	38	18	PCldv	Lincoln	8	-9	Clr	Philadelphia	37	23	Rain	St. Ste Marie	11	2	Cldv	National tempe	eratur	e exti	remes
Charleston, W.Va.	44	25	Cldv	Flint	24	5	Snow	Little Rock	35	21	Cldv	Phoenix	65	44	PCldv	Savannah	74	44	Rain	Hi: Mon., 86, New	Smyr	na Be	ach. Fla.
Charlotte, N.C.	65	33	Rain	Fort Smith	30	15	Cldy	Los Angeles	63	48	Clr	Pittsburgh	33	14	Snow	Seattle	34	18	Clr	Lo: Mon., -30 at De			

## Stripes VICE DIRECTOR' The Daily Guide to Navigating the European Business Market



Attorneys 178 Transportation







Dental Over 90% Non-Extraction

# CHEER

440

Convenient Payment Plans American Association of Orthodontists

No Referral Necessary Evening & Weekends



American Orthodontist

Dr. Michael Dillon, DDS, MS (Orthod) Univ of Maryland, Former USAF

All Treatment Fees in US S 06371-918911

www.dillonortho.com



## **VEHICLE SHIPPING SERVICES**

- International Shipping
- Import & Export
- Inland trucking (U.S. & Europe)
- · Door to door pick-up/delivery service
- Customs clearance
- All Risk Marine Insurance
- Auto Insurance (Germany only)

#### For Further Information Please Contact

GERMANY +49-6134-2592730 Phone Toll-free E-Mail: 0800-CARSHIP (Germany only) info@transglobal-logistics.de www.transglobal-logistics.de

UNITED KINGDOM +44-117 938 1919 0800-7839351 (UK only) info@carshipuk.co.uk www.carshipuk.co.uk

No On Base Referral Needed

U.S.A +1-972-602-1670 +1-800-264-8167 (US only)

info@tgal.us

For 2nd POV Shipments - Offices / Agencies near Military Installations

Financial Services

AND HERY ENT

LOGISTICS EUROI

#### Dental 902

Transportation

www.ramsteindental.com 06371-406230

Interglobal Shipping GmbH Specialized Shipping to/from the US & Canada Autos, Household Goods, Personal Belongings Contact your Pro's at the Docks today!!! info@interglobalshipping.de, www.interglobalshipping.de

#### **Certified American Orthodontics** Tricare Preferred Provider

- · Family Dentistry Certified Orthodontics
- American Hygienists
- American Staff
- · Porcelain Bonding Nitrous Oxide for all Procedures
  - Wisdom Teeth Surgery Wiesbaden Dental Care

Poststrasse 1, 66877 Ramstein-Miesenbach Bahnstrasse 14, 65205 Wiesbaden-Erbenheim

Transportation

w.wiesbadendental.com



0800-522-6274 or 800-WSA-SHIP (972-7447)

## LOANS up to \$10,000

904

For Active Duty U.S. Military

Call Toll Free

Germany: 0800 YES-LOAN Italy/Belgium: 00800 YES-LOANS Stateside: +1.931.802.6522

www.yesomni.com



"We love to say yes" ®

## Sell Your Stuff!



Take the fuss out of packing up for your everything with Stripes next PCS-sell free classifieds!

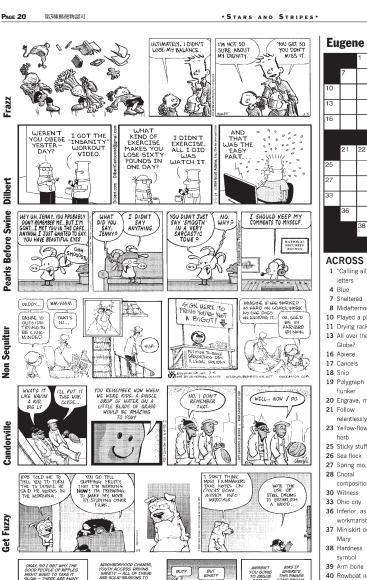
STARS STRIPES.

#### U.S. military news 24/7 from around the world.

Stripes.com posts regular updates from our overseas military bases in Europe, Pacific and the Mideast—and covers the Pentagon and Capitol Hill.



PAGE 20 第3種郵便物認可 Wednesday, February 5, 2014



Doonesbury

YOU CAN'T GIVE BETTY WU MARSHMALLOWS AND AN INHALER FOR VALENTINE'S

I KNOW, PONALP

DAY, WES

INSTEAD, I'M GIVING HER MY FAVORITE BOOK IN THE WORLD: "THE BIGGEST BEAR."

AND MY COPY OF THE

LIKE WHATE

FERS MUCH,

BOOK OFFER

GUM FROM THE LAST TWO YEARS.

#### Fugene Sheffer Crossword

Eugene onener orossword												
		1	2	3			4	5	6			
	7			İ		8				9		
10		T	$\vdash$			11			T		12	
13		T		T	14						T	15
16		T		17		$\top$				18	T	
			19			T			20		T	
	21	22					23	24			T	
25		T	Т			26			T			
27		T		28	29					30	31	32
33		T	34		İ	$\vdash$			35		T	T
	36	T	$\vdash$			$\vdash$		37	T		$\top$	$\top$
		38	$\vdash$			$\vdash$		39			T	
			40					41				
AC	RO	SS			OOM	/N			22	Pentat	euch	

#### **ACROSS**

- 1 "Calling all cars" letters
- 7 Sheltered
- 8 Midafternoon
- 10 Played a part
- 11 Drying racks
- 13 All over the
- Globe? 16 Apiece
- 18 Snip
- 19 Polygraph
- flunker
- 20 Engrave, maybe 21 Follow
- relentlessly
- 23 Yellow-flowered
- herh 25 Sticky stuff
- 26 Sea flock
- 27 Spring mo.
- composition
- 30 Witness

- 33 Ohio city
- workmanship
- 37 Miniskirt designer
- Marv 38 Hardness
- symbol
- 39 Arm bone 40 Rowboat need
- 41 Wapiti

- DOWN 1 Sacrifice site
- 2 Cheat at hide-and-seek
- 3 Cause distress for
- 4 Recoiled
- 5 Tapestry
- 6 Bambi, for one

9 Puts up

10 Viper

14 Drench

12 Pert

7 Rue the run

15 To the - degree

19 Once around

20 Type measures

21 Future juniors

- 8 Long-snouted
  - 29 Sentience 30 Hit a golf animal
    - ball the
      - wrong way

scrolls

23 Genealogy

24 It's nothing new

chart

25 Bombast

26 — alcohol

iilted

28 Whom Jason

- 31 Sicilian spouter
- 32 Superlative
- suffix
- 34 Japanese
- zither
- 35 Sea bird

#### Answer to Previous Puzzle

J	0	G	S		Ε	R	Α		Α	Р	В	S
Α	L	U	М		L	Ε	_		S	Α	R	Α
М	Τ	R	Α		В	Ι	R	Т	Н	D	Α	Υ
В	0	U	R	В	0	Ν		Н	0	S	Т	S
			М	0	W		F	0	R			
С	Α	L	Υ	Х		В	L	U	Ε	J	Α	Υ
0	R	Ε			Υ	0	U			Е	Υ	Е
В	Е	Т	Α	R	Α	Υ		Р	Α	Т	Е	S
			R	Τ	М		W	Τ	G			
Α	С	0	R	Ν		Р	Α	Р	0	0	S	Е
В	R	0	Α	D	W	Α	Υ		U	Ν	Т	0
L	Α	Z	Υ		П	Ν	Ν		Т	Ε	Ε	Ν
E	W	Е	S	Γ	Т	Ε	E		Ī	S	М	S



#### CRYPTOQUIP

YNKII ОТК E K MZTL PMOFLGNAKG Q ALEENMQV EKVOKG-ATKKIK GPIT O L QEKFPAQ ZKFKHLMGNPMY HOOTKFI

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WOULD FACTUAL STATEMENTS ABOUT FOOD WHIPPING AND PUREEING MACHINES BE TRUTH-IN-BLENDING? Today's Cryptoquip Clue: K equals E

#### FREE AD Guidelines:

- Free ads are available only DOD ID Card holders selling personal merchandise.
- Ads may contain up to 32 words. All Ads must contain price and contact information. No websites will be accepted in Free ads.
- Stars and Stripes reserves the right to re-classify, rewrite and reject any ads.

## STARS STRIPES. Go to stripes.com to place your free ad. Sell fast/ Buy fast

When you see this camera icon go to stripes.com

Van Rowell rowell.van@stripes.com +49(0)631.3615.9111 DSN 314.583.9111

MIDDLE EAST

Robert Reismann reismann.robert@stripes.co +49(0)631.3615.9150 DSN 314.583.9150

to view the uploaded photo. PACIFIC

Classifieds**EURO**I Automotive

Individuals placing

classified advertising should use discretion in For information on Commercial Rates: CIV: 0631-3615-9013/0912 or DSN: 583-9013/9012

Announcements

## **SCAM** FADS

buy sight unseen and have the vehicle shipped through an agent using paypal.

■ People saying Free Dog (different breeds) for adoption

FREE TOUR Capodimonte Ital-ian Porcelain studio Exquisite craftsmanship admired in all corners of the world, now well-blue for you to one touch

craftsmanship admired in all corners of the world, now available for you to see, touch, photograph, buy (credit cards photograph, buy (credit cards to do if (separate classes)). This to to do if (separate classes). This tour is FREE for US, NATO members and their dependents (ID required). Making the viail (ID required), Making the viail of the tour. -1 hr Location. Napoli (Calvizzano) Children over 12 yrs are welcome under the strict supervision of adults.

Photographs are encouraged. Contact@EasyFigure.com

SAHS Reunion! Are you a Seoul American High School (SAHS) Alumni or former SAHS Teach-er? The SAHS Class of 1984 is

er? The SAHS Class of 1984 is hosting their 30 year reunion in Austin, Texas 18-19 July 2014. This is an all years reunion, all SAHS alumni are encouraged to attend! for info email jim\_and\_cv@yahoo.com

Mercedes Benz Roof Back (Cross Sar) Storage Bad. Storage

Pirelli, Winter Tires Size on Rims 175.65r15, 2011 \$200.00 Pirelli Winter Tires with M&S mark, meet German require-ments for wintery weather. Size 175.65r15. Please pick up in

œ

VW, Tires on Rims Golf etc., 1999 \$50.00 4 Continental 185-60-14 tires on VW rims. Should fit any 14 inch VW. Call: 0171-473-9782

Automotive

140

Events

concluding the sale of their property. Not all potential buyers are reputable or honest. Stars and Stripes ouyers with classifieds suggests that you take precautions to ensure that potential buyers are reputable and will be able

to fulfill the terms of the sale. Stars and Stripes is not liable for the contractual relationship between sellers and buyers of merchandise advertised in the newspaper or on the web site.

Automotive

Mercedes Ski & Snowboard Rack, GL ML GLK CE CLA CLS Mercedes Benz Ski & board Rack BRAND NEVER OPENED or Holds up to 6 pairs of sk NEVER OFE-NELL of the Control of the

Trailer Hitch Receiver Lock, Fits All Receivers 5½° and 1½°. Fits, 0000 \$12.00 Secure your trailer with this lockable, trailer 1½° fits and two keys for the built in lock. Perfect condition, used one time. Located at Ramstein AB, reflected at Ramstein AB, reflected green community. STACE/DURY to the oldest coffee roaster in Europe Register on Facebook Barbert Italian Coffee under Events! Barbera Italian Coffee order Events! Barbera Italian Coffee of America is Barbera Italian Coffee of America is Barbera since 1870, a bix generations family business, Location: Zona Industriale Trentois-Ducenta (fvia Larga). Casserta, Italy Date: Feb 17, at 10 control of the Community of t O

Winter Tires, Winter Tires, 2012 \$650.00 Winter Tires for sale. 175 - 65F15 with rims and sensors added. paid over \$900 with VAT. Selling for \$650. Used only 3 months, Like new. 49 015141434114 kellenamiller@yahoo.com

Autos for Sale Germany

Auto - Quality Pre-owned US SPEC Vehicles www.vilseckautosales.com Free Europe-wide delivery

142

Oi BMW, 318i, 1999 \$4200.00 For sale is a clean and dependable sale is a clean and dependable German Spec 3 Series BMW. It has been well maintained by my mechanic in Steinach (will refer) and passes inspection without a hitch. The winter tires are brand hitch. The winter tires are man-new and come with a summer set as well. Miles are low for the year at 142,000, I bought the car from another American and have owned it for a year and from another American and have owned it for a year and now want something larger. Please call or text to set up an appoint ment. Brent 015126799067 prazakbrent@ GMAIL.COM

Oil

BMW, 3251, 1998 \$3950.00 Excellent cond. exterior and interior no problems mechanically.Parked at Wiesba-den Ent Center 01604170929 cassmarty32@yahoo.com BMW, 335I Convertible, 2007 \$15500.00 US Spec. fully loa-\$1550.00 US Spec, tully loaded, silver metallic, grey leather, automatic transmission, premium pkg, sports pkg, and cold weather pkg, navi, heated seats, summer tires & rims, winter tires & rims, winter tires & rims, wind deflector, free bmw shipping, plus many etcs. 114k & rims, wind deflector, free bmw shipping plus many etcs., 114k aufobafin miles. BMW Main-tained and all records \$15,500. Contact: Gary at Cell 0 1 6 2 2 6 6 1 1 5 2 , gboyers@t-online.de Autos for Sale Germany 142

BMW, \$25i Kombi (Wagon), 2005 31350 00 effor special control of the control of th SELLER BEWARE

BMW, 5351, 2011 \$40000.00 Space-grey metalic exterior with Black on Black therefor upgraded black of Black therefor upgraded and lites, plus winter accessones. Call rate with the second and lites, plus winter accessones. Call rate with the second and are all negotiable Very very read of the second and are all negotiable Very very revisible. Some opinion incluse heads up display, Upgraded moving the second production of the second production o innoe@yahoo.com

BMW, 535i, 2011 \$40500.00 Space-grey metallic exterior with Black on Black Interior upgraded leather. Plus extra winter wheels and tires, plus winter accesso-ries. Car and or winter accessories. Car and or winter accessiones can be sold separately and are all negotiable Very, very nice cart A must see. Test drive available. Some options include the sold of the

ahoo.com BMW (color black), 328 XI, 2011 \$25000.00 Built and delivered in August of 2011, includes navi-gation system, heated front seats, automatic windows, cd seats, automatic windows, of player standard, IPOD converter cable, recently registered and passed inspection 01774563161 markanthony8332 @ aol.com

markanthony8332 @ aol.com
BMW X 5 XDrive48 I, Cambilimousine. 2008 S3000.00
mousine. 2008 mirrors, Act. Seat Aircondition, Comfort seats, Lumbar support Head seats syst. Park dist. control. Rainsensor w. auto head!. Adaptive curvelights, BMW Teleservice - TV - DVD Prof. Xenon lights etc. 0172-6254061 christineglee ❷a 0.com

Occom

Chrysler, Crossfire Limited
Coupe, 2005 Se500.00 This
beautiful dark gray metallic
sports car is available now. It
has leather interior, a 2.3 te,
power windows, ABS, power
seats, heated seats, AHF PM CD
real wood interior accents, aftor
considered. Pictures available.
06561-941313 rraikx\* grmail.com Fiat, Punto, 2001 \$2200.00 This is the two-seater hatchback version. Tons of room for

version. Tons of room for transporting light loads. Well maintained, 189000 km on this diesel engine, and averages great MPG. New timing belt and brakes. Passed post inspection on Dec 2013 and good until next registration renewal. Ready for transfer without a hossie, email: sandwichlinux @yatho.com Ci.

RD, Explorer Sport Trac fled 2WD, 2009 \$21300.00 fler, Air.CD,IPOD, Aux con-tion, PWR sliding rear win-bed liner, hard bed cover, rails, PWR driver seat, led mirrors, heated seats for heated mirrors, heated seats for lights, towing package OBO 01622604637

Ci) Ford, Focus S, 2010 \$7900.00 VERY clean and reliable; 5-speed manual; 4-cyl.¼.0 lifer, so excellent gas mileage; very comfortable ride; must sell due to pending PCS. 01822342276 Tnblair2002@yahoo.com Ford, Focus S, 2010 \$7900.00 Very clean condition; selling due to upcoming PCS; very well-kept & maintained; very reliable. Autos for Sale 142 Germany

Ford, Mustang, 2013 Update your mustang with Salvaged 2013 Shelby GT500 parts: SVT performance package 6 sperd dransmission package (all parts) performance differential with HP adjustable shocks, springs and stabilizer, complete exhaust, 19 Ci)

Ford, Mustang GT Premium, 2010 \$19000.00 Ex Cond! Sunset Gold color, 4.6 liter motor with 315 HP & 325 Tq, Auto trans, power everything, Heath-ed blk leather seats, Multi disc stereo, with SYNC system, USB ca unk learner sedis. Multi disc stereo, with SYNC system. Use and bluetooth inputs. AC, togs cold der intake. Car looks and runs like new! Only selling to linguage another motorcycle. S22.268 and I'm asking \$19,000. Car is located just south of Munich, but I'm willing to drive to 100 486754 annies for looking.

C JEEP, Liberty, 2007 \$7000.00 3.7 V6 4X4 automatic, PL, PW, trail rated, just pass inspectic this month. Towing hitc 01624621822 nelsonvillacis888@yahoo.com

Jeep, Liberty Sport, 2006 \$1100.00 EU spec, second owner, low mileage, black, V6, power windows, AC, single CD Player, slide panel sun roof, all season tires 0611 705 7207

Jeep, Patriot Sport, 2012
Jeep, Patriot Sport, 2012
\$12500.00 GREAT Gas mileage, Only 17,000 miles on her.
She look on nature (a small
deer)and won. So she has a
repaired bumper, Im wanting to
get a \$12,500 rehoming tee.
Great family vehicle at a great
price! Act Fast! Private Sale. 01743578807 y@yahoo.com Jeep, Unlimited Sahara, 2012 \$3000.00 Remote start, 3 piece hard top, all weather custom fitted mats, looks brand new inside and out. Will PCS in a few weeks and ship if not sold in 2 weeks Well below blue bushess well below blue bushess well below blue bushess well below blue gain! 197304 #221

C Mercedes. E200, 1999 \$3700.00 Hello, we have a Mercedes for sale. It is of a gorgeous blue-green color. Ger-man specs, inspections passed no problems! It is Automatic transmission. No issues with the

no problems! It is Automatic transmission. No issues with the car. The car is mood shape on with the car. The car is most obtained to make the car. The car is most office and the car. The car is dirty in this picture sorn! When washed it looks very nice! S3700 cash please. We live in Hainerberg area (Wesbaden). Please ernal with questions. Call 0176-69342-601. C

Mini Cooper S US spec. 2008 \$12500.00 Mini Cooper S 6 spd manual in Brilish racing green with white roof and stripes. 45,000 miles with all service up to date. Has shipping to east and west coast fifting the Perta-tors selected of the Cooper S of the Co

C \$2400.00 German Spec Similar to US Model Nissan Rogue-Perl White - Manual Transmis-sion - Onboard Navigation Sys-tem - Radio CD & USB Connect link MP3 - Blue-Tooth Audio stream - Panorama glass elec-tric sunroo! - Air Conditioning -Heated Seats - Rear back-up camera - Summer and Winter tires included 0611 705 7207 Volkswagen, Golf GTI, 2012 \$20000.00 4 door sunroof black very good cond. US spec. very fasf. 01728616505 Autos for Sale 142 Germany

Nissan, Qashqai, 2013 S24000.00 German Spec Simi-lar to US Model Nissah Rogue-Pert White - Manual Transmis-san - Charles County of the Standard County of the Stream - Panorama glass delo-tream - Panorama glass clade-tream - Panorama glass currod - Air Conditioning -theated Seats - Rear back-up-camera - Summer and Winter thes included to 6 7 05 2207 **F** 

Renault, Grand Scenic Luxe Energy DCI 130 Start & Stop Ecoz. 2012 \$2600,000 Europé-an Spec Renault Grand Scenic Luxe Energy DCI 130 Start & Stop Ecoz. June 2012, 48,000 km. Diesel, fully loaded, trailor hitch, Dog gdte, Navigation, Br-kenon Lights, Bose Sound System, USB, Phone Set up via Bute 1 pt 1, 12 better, Interna-Blue Tooth, Leather, Interior, 3 flue Tooth, Leather, Interior, 3 Storage under the seats. Want-ing to sell to American so we don't have to deal with Customs New Price was "26,890 or \$36,000 asking \$ 26,000 or 19,000, 01525-3887556 mylittle

Subaru, Impreza WRX Sport Wagon, 2003 \$7800.00 Black, US specs, AWD, 227hp Turbo, Original owner. New all season tires. Recently passed Belgium inspection. View & test drive in 

Toyota, Sienna XLE. 2000 \$3200.00 PCS SALE!!! Best Offer takes it. Engine: 6-Cyl 3.0L, Automatic Transmission, Milesge: 164K, U.S. Specs, 4 Brand New TIRES! Front Wheel Drive, Cruise Control, AC, Moon Drive, Cruise Control, AC, Moon Roof, Till Wheel, Leather Seats, Power Steering, Power Win-dows & Seat, AM FM Stereo & 6 CD Changer, ABS, Tow Pack-age, Roof Rack, Alloy Wheels, Dual Air Bags, Kelly Blue Book value \$4,398. rob.mackson@ho tmail.com

Toyota, Tacoma, 2007 S19000,00 V6, 4WD, 4 door, TRD Offroad, SRS and Towing Packages. Power Windows ocks, Cruise Control, Roof Racks. Sliyer Extensive, Gray Great, Very Good Condition inside and out. Only 45,000 miles. Suggested NADA value \$23,775. fit Ansbach. Call Eric 01516451454 œ Volkwagen, Golf, 2001 \$3500.00 VW Golf in good condition. Easy to drive and mechanically sound. 0162296-0264

Volvo, S60-R, 2004 \$11500.00 Silver with approx. 135k miles. Turbo charged, 300 hp. leather seats, pwr windows locks, great on the autobahn! Additional set of factory rims and tire chains 1 of 5 of 10 12 1 uofmrice @yahoo.com

Volvo, S60T5, 2012 \$25000.00 Absolutly full loaded leather sunroof visuall mirrows rear camera navi 01728616505 sreinhold@freenet.de

VOLVO. XC 90, 2005 \$10500.00 Well maintained ve-helw this services up to sale the control of the control of the seats. 7 seat capacity. 5 speed turbo, great in snow and on ice, Burgundy in color with cream leather upholstery. For ques-tions 16094617249 kaidanti@gmail.com

Valoria te ginal com

Volvo, XC 90. – Cean, Face
Editori, Face 51 555500 Special
Editori, Face 51 555500 Special
Editori, Face 51 555500 Special
Editori, Face 51 555500 Special
Editori, Face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 555500 Special
Editoria face 51 55550 Specia **C** 

WW, Golf GTI, 2007 \$7000.00
With SMG transission sunroot
Xenon headlight 4 door US
spec.01728616505 or
car123@t-online.de

Autos for Sale 144 Italy

Honda, Jazz Eleganze, 2010 \$10000.00 Honda iSHIFT, 4 Door, White, AM-FM-CD, Robot-ic Automatic, Less than 8,000 ic Automatic, Less than 8,000 Miles. Contact Steve by calling after 1800 +39-0444-462-803 rustybranco@gmail.com

150

Autos for Sale Renelux

Mercedes Benz, C200 CDI 2007 \$10000.00 Excellent Con dition (recently serviced and inspected) Diesel Navigation Fuel Economy: 800 km hyw; 650km City +32476515910 smd\_1966@yahoo.com 

164 Motorcycles Harley-Davidson, 2002 \$7500.00 Exc on, garage stored, This is a great running bike and ready to

go:only selling because I'm retiring. Bike is paid for and located in Schweinfurt. Tele. 01714570402 3143546332 geo rge.ohl@t-online.de Sport Utility Vehicle 172

in-dash CD-Changér, Leather seats, power front, Full service history, Cruise , Automatic Cli-mate Control, Limited Slip Resr Differential, Roof rack, 4-wheel disc brakes with ABS, Ext Temp Gauge, Altimeter, Barometer, usuge, Altimeter, Barometer, Compass, Power Moon roof, Front, rear side curtain airbags, Heated front seats, Towing package, Self-leveling rear sus-pension, LED Running Lights, Homelink Townself Programmers package, Self-leveling rear sus-pension, LED Running Lights, Homelink Transmitter, Email for more pictures! NEGOTIABLE chergt@hotmail.com

Trucks 174

Toyota Tacoma 2002
\$8500.00 Great condition and supervised to the

œ. Toyota, Tacoma, 2007 \$19000.00 V6, 4WD, 4 door Automatic. TRD Offroad, SRI and Towing Packages Power Automatic, TRID Offroad, SRIS and Towing Packages. Power Windows & locks, Cruise Con-trol, Roof Fack, Sliding Rear window, Fog lights. Silver Exteri-or, Gray Interior, One owner-tion inside and out. Only 45,000 miles. Suggested NADA value \$23,275. b Ansheyb. Call Eric \$23,775. In Ansbach. Call Eric 015164514574. More Pics avail-

Toyota, Tacoma, 2007 \$19000.00 V6, 4WD, 4 door, Automatic. The Officed, SR5 and Towing Packages. Power Windows a Books, Cruse Con-Vinders and Control of the Gray Interior. One owner, fluns Great. Very Good Condition inside and out. Only 45,000 miles. Suggested NADA value 31516451457

r n 200 Baby Items

w. 015253-448204 like new. 015253-448204
Croozer stroller, Bike trailer, Jogging stroller, \$35,00.0 Very good condition with all parts and good condition with all parts and some stroller stroller, Jogging stroller (pictured) and the regular stroller stroller, and the regular stroller stroller, and the regular stroller, Ci

PRICE Jumperoo 5.00 Jungle theme like new, lights and I if interested for pics. music. Call if interest 015253-448204 FISHER PRICE Potty Trainer \$8.00 Learn to Flush, Potty Trainer 015253-448204

Baby Items GRACO Baby Swing USEE \$55.00 6 speeds, detachable chair, music. 015253-448204 Smithlissette@hotmail.com

Mari Matsumoto SSPcirculation@stripes.com +81(3) 6385.3171 DSN 315.229.3171

250 Books

Find The Magic Formula in Germany \$3.99 A short guide to the cultural differences in the Oberptalz, Bavaria, Germany and places to go in the region to explore the cultural more fully. The author spend ten years in the Grafenwoehr area learning

ure Grarerrwoehr area Tearning the local culture and shares a monthly guide of things to do. rayetraver@yahoo.com 

Clothing 320

Di

Maternity dresses \$20.00 2 maternity dresses Jennyrec777 Oil

Maternity pants \$40.00 Maternity pants size m
2 pants 1 Capri 1 shorts 1 leggings Jennyrec777@yahoo Oil

nity pants \$40.00 Mater nts size m ts 1 Capri 1 shorts 1 is Jennyrec777 @yahoo 

shirts \$30.00 5 ma-tops Jennyrec777 yahoo.com 

nity tops \$20.00 6 mater-tops Jennyrec777 Oil

Blue Blazer J-Crew Blue Blazer, 42 Regular, 3 button S-Breast \$100. call Steve at 0444-462-803 after

1800 Silk Ties \$5.00 Men's Silk Ties, over a 100 to choose Silk Ties, over a 100 to choose search for \$50. Also, Tie Holder, Battery Operated fits on your closer for \$-20. Call Steve at +39-0444-462-803 

Men's Suits \$250.00 Brand New Alexander 2-piece Suits, all Wool Blend - \$100 each or \$250 for all three. - All 40 Regular 1) D-Breassted 3 button Dark Button 2) D-Breassted 3 button Black 2) 3-Breasst 2 button Black 3) 5-Breasst 2 button Grey Pin-Stripe - Call Steve at 0444-462-803 after 1800 +39-0444-462-803 Men's Tuxedo \$250.00 ZARA Wool Blend Formal Tuxedo. Made in Spain, includes vest shirt and tie, Europe Size 54, Call Steve at 0444-462-803 after 1800 +39-0444-462-803

tops \$20.00 Nursing shirts 2 tank tops Ó

Collectibles 350

Trade my baseball cards for your CocaCola items. Former your CocaCola items. Former
EUCOM & USAFE member now
at MacDill AFB FL wants at MacDill AFB FL wants CocaCola glass bottles and aluminum cans from foreign countries for my collection. Wil trade \$5 Beckett value is baseball cards for each glass bottle and \$2 Beckett value for each can. Looking for othe CocaCola items as well, especially Sochi Olympics. Please email me for details: llovell@tempabay.r.com

Free Classifieds! Visit Stripes.com for details. STARS AND STRIPES

Computers All Leather Computer & Carry On Suitcase \$75.00 Brookston

On Sultcase \$75.00 Brookstone Leather Laptop Case and Carry-On. Made for carrying Laptop, Cables, etc. plus a shirt, tile, tolletries, etc. Priced to sell at \$75. Call Steve at 0444-462-803 after 1800 +39-0444-462-803

Furniture 510 couches, rugs...SEL \$200.00 ma table, SELL

O

Couch & Love Seal \$200.00 Brown couch, love-seat and ottoman - \$200 obc. Light tan couch, love-seat and lootstool -\$200 obc. Both sets in good condition. I can deliver (K-town condition. I can deliver (K-lown area) for an additional \$50.00 per set, 152 59545957 LS@full-Cit

ELECO SLOT MACHINE \$250.00 Eleco Japanese slot machine with in-video monitor for xtra games. Works well. Comes with 200+ tokens and 2 cabinet keys. This is 110v. Can be used with transformer, asking \$250. email for more info: erdberref128@yahoo.ord

Ó Exercise Bike \$273.00 This is a Exercise Bike one year old Like New. Great bike to use in front of the TV has many levels A treat worker with this work.

of the TV has many great workout with this 015227269001 jkpm1m

King Poster Bed \$1500.00
Dark wood finish,king sizes
poster bed in great condition
Purchased in Belgium a fer
years ago, it's top quality, the
posts are solid (not hollow
orms). Mattress, box spring and
orms in the post of the post of the
top of the post of the post of the
King are properly and the
King are properly and the
King are properly anywhere within the
King are price is propilable

C)

Furniture/Appliances 511

Clothes Dryer \$405.00 Siemens clothes dryer,model IQ1500, 220 volt, new, never used, 7 kilc loads. Ansbach area. Cell ii 0 1 6 2 4 5 4 9 7 2 3 PCS SALE PCS Sale: Dyson DC32 220V Animal Pro Vacumn Cleaner \$250. Centigrade Hot & Cold Auto-Refrigerator \$100. Black & Decker Stud Finder and Level - \$50. Old 2000 Watt Transformer - \$20. Call Steve at 0444-462-803 after 1800. +39-0444-462-803

Misc 220V Items \$200.00 220 power strips, ext cords, various adapters & transformers, 2ea crock-pots, toaster, coffee & espresso maker, sandwich mak-er, upright vacum, iron, 2ea heaters, 2ea fans – make offer

for all or just what you 59545957 LS@fullmer 7

CTC CLATRONIC AIR CONDITIONERS \$300.00 We have war conditioners for sale. 220v. and the conditioners for sale. 220v. 20dd. Part \$500.arg and \$200.arg arg and \$200.arg and \$20

Ó Home Electronics 570

50 inch Hitachi Projection TV \$100.00 This TV is in excellent 30 drib Thilliam Projection and condition, with great picture quality and 50 inch screen! This and can be used in Cernisory with no problem. It has Multi-Petrue Mode Can watch up to lime, Video In-street Mode Can watch up to lime, Video Inst. S-Video In-puts. Video Inputs. Component puts. Video Inputs. Component Co 第3種郵便物設可

## SPORTS BRIEFS

# Air Force adds two coaches to football staff

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. Air Force football coach Troy Calhoun has added new assistants Ron Vanderlinden and Tim Cross to his staff.

Titles and coaching assignments haven't been determined.

Vanderlinden joins the Falcons after 13 years at Penn State, where he coached linebackers. and Cross joins Air Force after spending the last three years as strength and conditioning coach at Texas. Before that, he was associate head coach at Minnesota in charge of the defensive line.

Cross attended Gateway High School in Aurora, Colo., and is a 1990 graduate of Northern Colorado, where he was a four-year letterman in football

In other college football news: ■ A judge on Monday ordered two 20-year-old Detroit men to

stand trial on murder charges in the robbery and fatal shooting of an Eastern Michigan University football player.

Demarius Reed of Chicago was killed at his off-campus apartment building in Ypsilanti on Oct. 18. Kristopher Pratt and Ed Thomas are charged with open counts of murder.

A probable cause hearing resumed Monday in District Court in Washtenaw County's Pittsfield Township. A pretrial hearing is scheduled March 25 before Judge

#### Shanahan new offensive coordinator for Browns

CLEVELAND - Kyle Shanahan has been hired as the Cleveland Browns' offensive coordinator.

Shanahan, 34, held the same job the past four seasons with the Washington Redskins, serving under his father, coach Mike Shanahan. Both were fired Dec. 30. Kyle Shanahan was offensive coordinator of the Houston Texans for two seasons before that.

In other NFL news:

■ The Washington Redskins announced Tuesday that Bradford Banta has been hired as the assistant special teams coach. Shane Day as assistant offensive line and offensive quality control coach, and Jake Peetz as offensive quality control coach..

■ The San Diego Chargers have promoted Nick Sirianni to quarterbacks coach and hired Bobby King as assistant linebackers coach and Shane Steichen as quality control-offense.

#### **NASCAR 'deterrence'** penalty system created

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - NAS-CAR has revamped its penalty system to define specific offenses with pre-determined penalties.

The new "Deterrence System" classifies six different levels of penalties, with fines and point deductions increasing as the infrac-



TONY QUINN/MCT

Former Washington Redskins offensive coordinator Kyle Shanahan has been hired for the same position with the Cleveland

tions become more severe. The new system will be applied only to technical infractions; NAS-CAR will still handle behavioral offenses individually.

The structure also allows the sanctioning body to hit repeat offenders with a multiplier that could increase penalties by 50 percent, NASCAR's previous system did not tie pre-determined sanctions to specific offenses.

In other motorsports news:

his headphones and audio line into NASCAR via a partnership with Swan Racing. The rapper — born Curtis Jack-

son — will have branding for his SMS Audio line on both of Swan Racing's cars. The logos will also be on the uniforms for Parker Kligerman and Cole Whitt and the drivers will be featured on Swanbranded SMS Audio headphones The partnership also calls for

50 Cent to make appearances at races throughout the 2014

#### Heyward. Braves agree to \$13.3M. 2-year deal

ATLANTA — Outfielder Jason Heyward and the Atlanta Braves agreed Tuesday to a \$13.3 million, two-year contract that avoided arbitration

Heyward hit .254 with 14 homers and 38 RBIs in a career-low 104 games in his injury-plagued fourth season with the Braves. He had an appendectomy on April 22 and broke his jaw on Aug. 21 when he was hit by a pitch from Jon Niese of the New York Mets. In other baseball news:

■ The Arizona Diamondbacks have avoided arbitration with

Gerardo Parra by agreeing to a one-year, \$4.85 million contract with the two-time Gold Glove outfielder. ■ Tampa Bay Rays right-hand-

er Jeremy Hellickson has un-

elbow and is expected to miss the first 6-to-8 weeks of the season.

■ Third baseman David Freese and reliever Kevin Jepsen have reached arbitration deals with the Los Angeles Angels. Veteran infielder Chad Tracy has also agreed to a minor-league deal with the Angels.

#### **Britain ends Olympic** funding for basketball

LONDON - The British government has cut funding for the country's Olympic basketball program ahead of the 2016 Games.

Basketball received \$14 million in the four years before the 2012 London Olympics where Britain qualified as hosts.

But UK Sport, which distributes money from the government and National Lottery, has decided basketball doesn't offer a realistic prospect of producing a medal in Rio de Janeiro.

NBA commissioner Silver said last month the Lon-don Olympics were a "lost opportunity" and questioned why the government wasn't backing haskethall

Roger Moreland, performance chairman at British Basketball, is "aghast" at the decision to strip funding, explaining: "We are still on the road to Rio but we now have to qualify for EuroBasket 2015 with our hands tied behind

## Home Electronics 570

AFN Decoders and Dish \$350.00 AFN Decoder Model 9865 (never ----9865 (never used, still in original package); PowerVu 9835; and 80cm Satellite Dish included 0611 705 7207

0611 705 7207

Brand NEW wireless speakers
\$55.00 Brand NEW (never
used) wireless speakers: indoor
ke outdoor use. Digital signal; 10
hours playback; independent
volume control for each speaker. Remote control included.
Asking \$55, original \$79. Please call Any 0160-9953025 or e-mail jorniks@yahoo.com.



## Musical Instruments 740

Gibson Les Paul Traditional Pro Sunburst \$1300.00 For sale is my like new Gibson Les Paul Traditional Pro Sunburst. bought if new from Musicians Friend in 2009. Complete with Gibson hardshell case and all paperwork. Price is firm. Looks paperwork. Price is firm, Lo-new! \$1300 williameaton70@yahoo.com 

Ö

## Classifieds**EUROP** Musical Instruments 740

Roland HP-135 Digital Piano with Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Piano Bench, 220v 480.00 Min Bench, 220v 480.00 Mi

Person to Person

Tax Assistance

the right to reject any free permitted. You must be 18 years of age or older to place a free person to person advertisement

Fisher-Price Stride-To-Ric on USED \$20.00 Fisher-Stride-To-Ride Lion. Just new. Contact me 0152-5344-8204 only if inted.

**H&R BLOCK®** 



Offices Get face-to-face tax help.

For information on Commercial Rates: CIV: 0631-3615-9013/0912 or DSN: 583-9013/9012

Wiesbaden 06371-8020410 06134-256963 09662-701139

Email: eclemons@hrblock.com

#### Sporting Goods 980 Miscellaneous

Croozer Bike trailer & Jogging Stroller \$350,00 Very good condition with all parts and condition with all parts and stroller protection and the regular stoller protection and the regular stollar stoller protection and the regular stollar st 2008 and Above All weather car cover \$50.00 All weather cover for a 2008 and newer Mustang Brand New never used in original box, can even be stored wet as it will not mildew. 015738439984

1000

\*\* Come Visit Garmisch\*\* Hotel Forsthaus Oberau 8 km Nth of Garmisch Hot tub/sauna Seur PP, DBL occp, free brkfst dogs welcome. 08824-9120 www.forsthaus-oberau.de

U15/38/39/984
Hellp me reinstall Android on my
Galaxy Tab 2 \$999999999.99
Messed it up trying to update to
4.3. Then decided to root it.
Messed it up more. Now it won't
reboot. If you know how to root
and install a custom ROM, I
need your services.
015157863351

1040

Free Classifieds! Visit Stripes.com STARS AND STRIPES





KOREA DSN: 721-7146 Civ: 82-2-2270-7146 FROM USA Overseas: 011-81-3-6385-3276

Furniture/Appliances 511



Lingerie & More!

www.oconus.com

Autos for Sale 148 Korea 1997 Hyundai Galloper II, Tur-bo Diesel 4xx, 5-speed Manuali ransmisson. Calloper II, 1997 or II, Turbo Diesel 4xx, 5-speed Manual transmisson. This has me, II has leather seal cover; CD player, Intel glass, NEW Tiese, New clutch, new brakes and a recent oil change, new battery, Excellent Gas milea-mantaining by me add previous

Visit Stripes.com for details STARS AND STRIPES

Autos for Sale 148 · Korea

PHT 200 GV CC 2010 ENGINE CAPT 1, You may want to give a coule in 0.8 Ferrar 2, who driven home. 3 Economy 4 Ferrar 200 ENGINE CAPT 1, Least 1, Least 2, Lea

CT.

Autos for Sale 148 Korea

Ford, E383 Suger, Duly, Conversion Rocky, Ridge Conversion, WAI built from 2006 Ford E350CH; See Suger Conversion WAI built from 2006 Ford E350CH; See Suger Conversion WAI

Cooper S Countryman S 2012 S28800.00 Sport Vehicle All Wheel Drive charged Gas 4-CM Auto-Charged Gas 4-CM Auto

Autos for Sale

- Korea

Gas Stove/Oven For Sale \$100.00 This is a US Standard size gas range (stove/oven) brought from the US 10 years ago. It has been in storage since Dec 2012. First \$100 takes it and it's located at Camp Carroll. Call Mike - 010-8560-3307 or email inidaharley@gmail.com 010-8560-3307 inidaharley@gm all.com

Read STARS STRIPES, online at

www.stripes.com



No one covers the bases the way we do.



## **SCOREBOARD**

#### Sports on AFN

Go to the American Forces Network website for the most up-to-date TV schedules. mvafn.net



#### Pro baseball

#### Remaining free agents

NEW YORK — The 53 remaining free ents: AMERICAN LEAGUE

AMERICAN LEAGUE
BALTIMORE (2) — Jason Hammel, rhp;
Francisco Rodriguez, rhp.
BOSTON (2) — Stephen Drew, ss; Joel
Hanrahan, rhp.

Harrishan MD. — Stephen Drew, Ss. Joel
Harrishan MD. — Rich Hill, Ihp, Ubaldo
Jimener, this Relly Shoppach, G.
Horrish MD. — Rich Hill, Ihp, Ubaldo
Jimener, this Relly Shoppach, G.
HOUSTON (D) — Erik Bedard, Ihp,
HOUSTON (D) — Erik Bedard, Ihp,
HOUSTON (D) — Erik Bedard, Ihp,
HOUSTON (D) — Travis Harler, this
NEW YORK (D) — Travis Harler, this
SATILE (D) — Kendrys Morales, dh;
Olivor Nerez, linp; Joe Saunders, linp.
Olivor Nerez, linp; Joe Saunders, linp.

np. TEXAS (2) — Lance Berkman, dh; Neln Cruz, of. TORONTO (2) — Darren Oliver, Ihp; Ra-

mon Ortiz, rhp.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

ATLANȚA (2) — Luis Ayala; rhp; Paul Maholm, lhp.
CHICAGO (1) — Kevin Gregg, rhp.
CINCINNATI (1) — Bronson Arroyo

np.

GOLORADO (3) — Rafael Betancourt,
np; Todd Helton, 1b; Roy Oswalt, rhp.
LOS ANGELES (4) — Chris Capuano,
np; Jerry Hairston Jr., 3b; Carlos Marmol,
np; Michael Young, 3b.

MIAMI (4) — Matt Diaz, of; Austin Kens, of; Juan Pierre, of; Placido Polanco,

3b. MILWAUKEE (1) — Mike Gonzalez, lhp. NEW YORK (5) — Tim Byrdak, lhp; Pedro Feliciano, lhp; Frank Francisco, rhp; Aaron Harang, rhp; Johan Santana, lhp. PHILADELPHIA (1) — Roy Halladay, PITTSBURGH (2) — A.I. Burnett, rhn:

pril SBUNGH (2) — A.J. Burnett, rnp; Jeff Karstens, rhp. ST. LOUIS (2) — Chris Carpenter, rhp; Jake Westbrook, rhp. SAN DIEGO (2) — Mark Kotsay, of; Ja-son Marquis, rhp. SAN FRANCISCO (2) — Andres Torres, of; Barry Zito, lhp.

#### Calendar

Feb. 6-20 — Salary arbitration hear-ings, St. Petersburg, Fla. Feb. 6 — Voluntary reporting date for Arizona and Los Angeles Dodgers pitch-ers, catchers and injured players. Feb. 11 — Voluntary reporting date for Arizona and Los Angeles Dodgers other

players. Feb. 13 — Voluntary reporting date for other team's pitchers, catchers and

for other team's pitchers, vaccineting the property of the pro days. March 22-23 — Los Angeles Dodgers

Arizona, Sydney.

March 26 — Last day to request un-March 26 — Last day to request un-conditional release waivers on a player without having to pay his full 2014 sal-ary.

March 30 — Opening day in North America, Los Angeles Dodgers at San Diego. Active rosters reduced to 25 play-

ers.
June 5 — Amateur draft.
July 15 — Ali-Star game, Minneapolis.
July 18 — Deadline for amateur draft
picks to sign.
July 27 — Hall of Fame inductions,
Cooperstown, N.Y.
July 31 — Last day to trade a player

without securing waivers.

Sept. 1 — Active rosters expand to 40

Sept. 1 — Active rosters expand to ap players.

Sept. 22 — Words search begins, Sept. 22 — Word Series begins, Sept. 23 — Word Series begins.

November TBA — Deadline for teams to make qualifying offers to their eligible former players who became free agents, in Movember TBA — Deadline for free agents to accept qualifying offers, 2th day after World Series.

Dec. 2 — Last Selgned players of the Series of

ego.

Dec. 8 — Hall of Fame golden era (194772) vote announced, San Diego.

2015

Jan. 13 — Salary arbitration filing.

Jan. 16 — Salary arbitration figures

exchanged. Feb. 1-21 - Salary arbitration hear-

ings.
July 14 – All-Star game, Cincinnati.
July 17 – Deadline for amateur draft picks to sign.
July 31 – Last day to trade a player without securing waivers. ithout securing waivers.

Sept. 1 — Active rosters expand to 40

#### College basketball AP Men's Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll, with firstpress' college basketoali poli, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 2, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

	Kecora		
1. Syracuse (65)		1,625	- 2
2. Arizona	21-1	1,517	- 1
3. Florida	19-2	1.482	3
4. Wichita St.	23-0	1,447	- 4
5. San Diego St.	19-1	1,370	
6. Villanova	19-2	1,252	9
7. Cincinnati	21-2	1.182	2 1 3 4 5 9
8. Kansas	16-5	1.141	
9. Michigan St.	19-3	1.136	9
10. Michigan	16-5		
11. Duke	17-5	940	17
12. Creighton	18-3	790	20
13, Saint Louis	20-2	728	19
14. Louisville	18-4	723	
15. Texas	17-4	719	25
16. Iowa St.	16-4	717	16
17. Iowa	17-5		
18. Kentucky	16-5	653	11
<ol><li>Oklahoma St.</li></ol>	16-5	420	8
20. Virginia	17-5	364	-
21. Oklahoma	17-5		23
22. UConn	17-4	252	-
23. Gonzaga	20-3		-
24. Memphis	16-5		
25. Pittsburgh	18-4		18
Others receiving v	otes: Wis	consir	1 79

Others receiving votes: Wisconsin 79, Ohio St. 45, VCU 44, SMU 15, New Mexi-co 12, California 9, UCLA 9, Harvard 4, George Washington 3, LSU 3, Tennessee 2, American U. 1, Southern Miss. 1.

#### USA Today Men's Top 25

The top 25 teams in the USA Today men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 2, points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Syracuse (32)	21-0	800	2
2. Wichita State	23-0		3
3. Arizona	21-1	725	1
4. Florida	19-2		- 4
<ol><li>San Diego State</li></ol>	19-1	680	5
6. Villanova	19-2		
7. Cincinnati	21-2		
8. Michigan State	19-3		6
9. Kansas	16-5		
10. Louisville	18-4		
11. Duke	17-5		
12. Creighton	18-3		
13. Iowa	17-5	377	
14. Kentucky	16-5		
15. Saint Louis	20-2		
16. Michigan	16-5		
17. Iowa State	16-4		
18. Texas	17-4		_
<ol><li>Oklahoma State</li></ol>	16-5		10
20. Gonzaga	20-3		24
21. Virginia	17-5		_
22. Pittsburgh	18-4		
23. Oklahoma	17-5		
24. Wisconsin	17-5	72	13

25. Ohio State 1/5-5 72 13: 25. Ohio State 27: 56 7 23 17: 5 67 23

#### Monday's men's scores

monday 5 men 's Scor' EasT Brooklyn 59, Baruch 58 Delaware 80, Northeastern 67 Drexel 61, UNC Wilmington 50 tona at Monmouth (WJ), ppd. Rider 73, Fairfield 68 Rider 73, Fairfield 68 Kipetry 51, East Manhattan, ppd. Syracuse 61, Notre Dame 55 Villanova 81, Xavier 58 Vork (WY) 108, COWY 73 Albhama A&M 67, Prairie View

York (NY) 108, CCNY /3
Mabama A&B SOUTH in View 55
Alabama St. 70, Torsa Southern 73, OT
Bethune-Cookman 91, SC State 59
Chowan 109, Apprentice 67
Coppin St. 34, belaware St. 53
Florida A&M St. Sawannah St. 51
Georjia St. 85, South Alabama 65
Howard 88, NC A&T 60
Himstone 95, South Alabama 65
Howard 88, NC A&T 60
MYSU 75, Grambling St. 67
MYSU 75, Grambling St. 67
MYSU 75, Grambling St. 67
MYSU 75, Grambling St. 67
MYSU 75, Grambling St. 67
NC Central 66, Md. Fastern Shore 62
Xavier (NO) 8, Philameter Smith 78
MIDWEST
Ashland 72, Lake Erie 65

MIDWEST Ashland 72, Lake Erie 65 Augsburg 79, Concordia (Moor.) 69 Carleton 63, Bethel (Minn.) 51 Culver-Stockton 91, MidAm Nazarene

Findlay 74, Hillsdale 71 Findlay 74, Hillsdale 71 Georgetown 71, DePaul 59 Grand Valley St. 88, Ferris St. 62 Lake Superior St. 84, Wayne (Mich.) 73 Michigan Tech 63, N. Michigan 58 Ohio Dominican 80, Tiffin 68 St. John's (Minn.) 68, Gustavus 63 St. Mary's (Minn.) 79, Macalester 48 St. Thomas (Minn.) 88, Hanline 53

Walsh 62, Malone 59 SOUTHWEST Ark.-Pine Bluff 70, Jackso

Iowa St. 98, Oklahoma St. 97, 300 FAR WEST Montana 70, Montana St. 66

#### AP Women's Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 2, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

	Record	Pts	Prv
1, UConn (36)	23-0	900	- 1
2. Notre Dame	21-0	863	2
3. Stanford	21-1	827	- 4
4. Louisville	22-1	775	
5. Duke	21-2	766	- 3
6. South Carolina	20-2	707	7
7. Baylor	18-3	680	c
8. Tennessee	18-4	647	2 4 5 7 9
9. Penn St.	17-4	595	12
<ol><li>Maryland</li></ol>	17-4	545	8
11. Arizona St.	19-3	465	15
12. Oklahoma St.	18-3	464	11
13. North Carolina	17-5	453	6
14. NC State	19-3		
15. Kentucky	17-5	435	13
16. LSU	17-5		
17. West Virginia	19-3	344	20
18. Vanderbilt	17-5		16
19. Texas A&M	17-6		
20. Gonzaga	20-3	194	22
21. Middle Tennessee	18-3		
22. Nebraska	15-5	102	_
23. California	14-7		21
24. Michigan St.	15-7	88	_
25. Purdue	15-7		
Others receiving yet	net Iowa	C+ 69	2 C+

Others receiving votes: Iowa St. 68, St. John's 28, Rutgers 22, Syracuse 17, Horida St. 16, Wichita St. 14, Oklahoma 12, Bowling Green 7, Chattanooga 6, DePaul 4, James Madison 3, Michigan 3, Saint Mary's (Cal) 3, Texas 3, Iona 1.

#### **USA Today Women's Top 25**

The top 25 teams in the USA Today Women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Jan. 27, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

_	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Connecticut (32)	21-0	800	- 1
2. Notre Dame	19-0		1 2 3 4 5
3. Duke	20-1		3
4. Stanford	19-1		- 4
5. Louisville	20-1		5
<ol><li>North Carolina</li></ol>	17-3		
7. Baylor	16-3	576	10
8. South Carolina	18-2		
9. Maryland	16-3	540	6
<ol><li>Tennessee</li></ol>	16-4		
<ol><li>Oklahoma State</li></ol>	17-2		9
12. Kentucky	16-4	449	.8
13. Penn State	15-4		
<ol> <li>Louisiana State</li> </ol>	16-4		14
15. Texas A&M	16-5		
16. Purdue	15-5		20
17. Gonzaga	18-3		
18. Vanderbilt	16-4		19
<ol><li>California</li></ol>	14-5		
<ol><li>Arizona State</li></ol>	17-3	187	23
21. Iowa State	15-4		
22. N.C. State	18-3	157	24
23. Nebraska	13-5		
24. West Virginia	17-3	137	21
25. Florida State	15-5		

Others receiving votes: Middle Tennessee 40; San Diego 22; Wichita State 22; Oklahoma 17; Syracuse 13; Marist 10; DePaul 8; Dayton 7; Michigan State 6; Texas 4; Brigham Young 2; Georgia 2; Colorado 1.

#### Monday's women's scores

EAST Baruch 56, Brooklyn 38 Baruch 56, Brooklyn 38 CCNY 70, York (NY) 32 Georgia Tech 77, Pittsburgh 66 Mount St. Mary's 69, CCSU 55 St. Francis (Pa.) 83, Bryant 79 Wagner 67, Robert Morris 51 SOUTH

SOUTH
Appalachian St. 75, Furman 70
Belmont 70, Morehead St. 67
Bethune-Cookman 64, SC State 56
Chattanooga 72, Georgia Southerr
Coppin St. 81, Delaware St. 54
Davidson 76, Samford 58 Davidson 76; Samford 58 Fisk 73, Oakwood 49 Florida, A&M 76; Swood 49 Florida, Charles 76; Swood 48 Mc-Eastern Shore 72; NC Central 57 NC A&T 69; Howard 48 Mc-Eastern Shore 72; NC Central 57 NC A&T 69; Howard 48 Mc-Eastern Shore 72; NC Central 57 Florida, Swood 48 Florida, Sw

W. Carolina 66, Wothord 47 MIDWEST Ashland 63, Lake Frie 48 Austin Peay 87, SE Missouri 74 Bethel (Minn.) 74, Carleton 51 Concordia (Moor.) 79, Augsburg 40 Culver-Stockton 69, Mid-Am Nazarene

68
Grand Valley St. 67, Ferris St. 50
Green Bay 70, Valparaiso 42
Hillsdale 66, Findlay 61
Hillsdale 65, Findlay 61
Ohio Dominican 69, Tiffin 55
SIU-Edwardsville 59, NIT5 4
Saginaw Valley St. 67, Northwood
(Mich.) 61

ilich.) 61 St. Mary's (Minn.) 75, Macalester 52 St. Olaf 70, St. Catherine 54 St. Thomas (Minn.) 78, Hamline 59 Walsh 82, Malone 75 Wayne (Mich.) 81, Lake Superior St. 71 SOUTHWEST Baylor 81, Oklahoma 67

Jackson St. 78, Ark.-Pine Bluff 69 Philander Smith 83, Xavier (NO) 59 Texas Woman's 64, Tarleton St. 59 FAR WEST FAR WEST Montana 84, Montana St. 79, OT

#### Tennis

#### Royal Guard Open

NOYAL SULATIO UPEN
AT CUID NAVA CHAMPA CAMPA CAM

First Round
Daniel Gimen-Traver, Spain, and Stephane Robert, France, def. Nicholas MonRobert, France, def. Nicholas MonGermany, 2-6, 6-2, 10-7.
Juan Sebastian Cabal and Robert Farah (2), Colombia, def. Pablic Carrena
800 (1987) (

#### Zagreb Indoors

Monday At Dom Sportova

At Dom Sportova
Zagreb, Croatia
Purse: \$554,900 (WT250)
Surface: Hard-Indoor
Singles
First Round
First Round
Marin Cilic (5), Croatia, def. Mate DelIc. Croatia, 64, 6-4.
Huta Galung, Netherlands, 6-7 (4), 6-3, 7-8
Huta Galung, Netherlands, 6-7 (4), 6-3, 7-8

Doubles
First Round
Toni Androic and Marin Cilic, Croatia, def. Ivo Karlovic and Franko Skugor, Croatia, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 10-7.

## Open Sud de France

Monday At Arena Montpellier Montpellier, France Purse: \$654,900 (WT250) Surface: Hard-Indoor

Singles First Round Paul-Henri Mathieu, France, def. Nico-las Mahut, France, 6-1, 3-0, retired. Doubles France, 6-1, 3-0, retired. Evance, 1970 Evance, 1970 Evance, Ken and Neal Skupski (4), Britain, def. Kenny de Schepper and Fabrice Martin, France, 6-4, 3-6, 15-13.

#### Golf

#### PGA Tour FedEx Cup leaders

Through Feb. 2
Rank Player Points YTD Mon Jimmy Walker
 Harris English 2. Chris Kirk 4. Webb Simpson 5. Zach Johnson 6. Ryan Moore 7. Kevin Stadler \$1,789,014 \$1,857,817 \$1,699,450 \$1,898,050 \$1,492,698 931 805 713 8. Dustin Johnson 9. Patrick Reed 10. Brian Stuard \$1,217,552 \$1,228,108 10. Brian Stuard
11. Graham DeLaet
12. Charles Howell III
13. Scott Stallings
14. Jason Bohn
15. Gary Woodland
16. Ryo Ishikawa
17. Bubba Watson \$1,361,267 \$1,053,812 \$1.128,421 597 542 530 491 482 425 17. Subba Watson 18. Ryan Palmer 19. Jordan Spieth 20. Chris Stroud 21. Charley Hoffman 22. Pat Perez 23. Scott Brown 24. Hideki Matsuyama 25. Brendon Todd 408 406 402 \$779,240 \$831,555 \$836,120 \$743,810 \$761,091 \$661,910 \$663,833 \$541,143 400 392 369 354 349 347 345 26. Vijay Singh 27. Jeff Overton \$604,932 \$607,610 \$865,479 \$614,345 \$642,007 28. Ian Poulter
29. Justin Leonard
30. Will MacKenzie
31. Briny Baid
32. Tim Clark
33. Jerry Kelly
34. Bill Haas
36. K.J. Choi
37. Kevin Na
38. Matt Every
39. Brian Gody
40. Billy Horschel
41. Russell Knox
42. Justin Hicks
43. Keegan Bradley 28. Ian Poulter 336 332 330 \$563,883 \$577,740 304 303 297 294 289 286 277 276 276 \$613,100 \$571,398 \$461,952 \$466,113 \$490,309 \$490,309 \$519,721 \$378,318 \$399,811 \$477,595 \$315,972 \$396,648 42. Justin Hicks 43. Keegan Bradley 44. Boo Weekley 45. Brendan Steele 46. Matt Kuchar 47. Luke Guthrie 249 240 238 237 236 \$489,167 \$371,928 Rory Sabbatini Kevin Streelma Jason Kokrak 235 228 225 50. Isson Kokrak
51. Spencer Levin
52. Matt Jones
53. Brian Harman
54. Robert Garrigus
55. James Driscoll
56. Sergio Garcia
57. Graeme McDowell
58. Camilo Villegas
59. Greg Chalmers
60. Chad Collins
60. Chad Collins
61. Jason Duffner
61. Jason Duffner
63. Stuart Appleby
64. Morgan Hoffman
64. Martin Laird
66. Ken Duke 213 211 210 208 206 205 \$241,060 \$318,260 \$339,392 \$259,758 \$226,488 \$526,000 200 195 195 \$174,259 \$337,229

68. Seung-yul Noh

#### Deals

### Monday's transactions

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Agreed to
rms with INF Alex Gonzalez on a minor
and contract

terms with INFA lext softzatez on a minor league correct.

SAS ARGELS — Agreed to terms with 3B David Freese and RHP Kevin Jepsen, Signed INF Chad Tracy to a minor-league contract.

TEXAS RANGERS — Agreed to terms with RHP Daniel Bard, RHP Chel-Hsuan Lin and RHP Armando Galarraga on minor league contracts. Released RHP Tyler Tuffs.

Matinal League.

Lin and RHP Armando Galarraga on mor league contracts. Released RHP Type Contracts and Contracts and Contracts and Contracts and Contracts and Contracts and Contract and Contract and Contracts and Contract and Contracts and Co

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Recalled G Lorenzo Brown from Delaware (NBADL). FOOTBALL National Football League CLEVELAND BROWNS — Named Kyle Shanahan offensive coordinator. OAKLAND RAIDERS — Named Joe Woods defensive backs coach and Marcus Robertson assistant secondary coach.

HOCKEY National Hockey League
ANAHEIM DUCKS — Recalled D Sami

ANAHEM DUCKS — Recalled D Sami vatanen from Norfolk (AHL).

Tanded D D
Raphael Diaz to Vancouver for F Dale
Weise. Assigned F Christian Infomas to
HARVE SEE TO SEE

COLLEGE MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE — Sus-

pended Wyoming men's basketball G Josh Adams one game striking an op-ponent in a Feb. 1 game against Utah ponent in a Feb. 1 game against Utan State. AIR FORCE — Named Ron Vanderlin-den and Tim Cross assistant football

coaches.

AKRON — Named Otis Mounds corner-

arks coach. — Reinstated junior bas-arks. Sach. — Reinstated junior bas-tebal F Alandise Harris and sophomore settal & Michael Qualls from their ee game supersions. OKLANDASTAT — Dismissed fresh-an basketball & Stevie Clark.

#### College baseball

Monday's score

SOUTHWEST Wayland Baptist 3, Houston-Victoria 1

#### College hockey

#### NCAA Division I poll

MINNEAPOLIS — The top 20 teams in the NCAA Division I men's ice hockey poll, compiled by U.S. College Hockey Online, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Febn. 2 and pre

	Record	Pts	Pv
1. Minnesota (40)	19-2-5		
2. Boston College (10)			
3. Ouinnipiac	19-4-5		
4. Union	17-6-3		
5. Ferris State	18-6-3	750	
6. St. Cloud State	14-6-4		
	18-7-2		
8. Providence	15-7-5	621	
	12-4-5		1
	13-6-3		1
11. Northeastern	15-8-3	528	1
12. Wisconsin	14-8-2	460	
13. Yale	11-6-4	342	1
14. Clarkson	16-10-2	291	1
15. Denver	13-8-5	278	1
	13-8-3	266	
17 Minnocota-Duluth	12-9-3	166	
18. Notre Dame	15-11-1	147	1
19. Vermont	13-9-3	120	1
20. New Hampshire	16-12-1	120	-
Others receiving vot			
gate 23, Ohio State 1	D Maren	b	
Air Force 6, Nebraska-0	b, wercy	Mod	t I.
Michigan 4 Minnesota		, wes	rer

#### Monday's scores

EAST Northeastern 6, Harvard 0 Boston College 3, Boston U. 1

\$289,197 \$378,080 \$237,945 \$260,457 192 186 184 184

\$259,868 \$234,013

#### NBA



Wizards forward Nene, left, and guard John Wall, right, celebrate with guard Bradley Beal on Monday against the Trail Blazers.

#### Roundup

# 'Finally': Wizards move above .500

WASHINGTON — No. confetti didn't fall from the rafters and there's no parade scheduled for Pennsylvania Avenue.

But John Wall pumped his right arm and smiled broadly as he dribbled out the clock, and the first word out of Bradley Beal's mouth when he addressed the crowd said it all: "Finally."

The Washington Wizards celebrated what they hope is the end of mediocrity Monday night, moving above .500 for the first time in more than four years with a 100-90 win over the Portland Trail Blazers.

"It's only one game over, but, yeah, it's a big relief," said Wall, who has endured more than his share of Wizards frustration since his selection as the No. 1 overall pick in the 2010 draft. "But the main thing is we've got bigger goals to try to keep winning games and try to keep getting better and try not to go back down - so we won't have to have this talk again."

Wall scored 22 points, Trevor Ariza added 20 and had another solid defensive game for the Wizards, who hadn't had a winning record since beating the New Jersey Nets to improve to 2-1 on Halloween in 2009. Washington committed six turnovers while forcing 16 from Portland, and Wall and Co. didn't look back after Kevin Seraphin led a 12-0 run that put the Wizards up by 17 early in the fourth quarter.

'It's great to finally get this team over the hump," Beal said.

No one on the current Wizards roster was on the team when it was last above .500. They had lost this season at 0-0, 9-9, 14-14, 19-19, 20-20, 21-21 and 22-22, and the hurdle became such a bugaboo that players starting declaring the subject taboo when reporters asked about it. Coach Randy Wittman at one point cautioned against thoughts that "all of a sudden fairy dust is going to fall on us if we get over .500."

Thunder 86, Grizzlies 77: Kevin Durant had 31 points, eight rebounds and eight assists, Serge Ibaka had 21 points and 12 rebounds and Oklahoma City continued its home dominance.

Pacers 98, Magic 79: Danny Granger scored 16 points, Paul George and Lance Stephenson each added 15, and host Indiana beat Orlando.

Heat 102, Pistons 96: LeBron James came within two rebounds of his first triple-double this season, and host Miami on for the fifth time in six games.

Nuggets 116, Clippers 115: Randy Fove hit a three-pointer from the top of the key at the buzzer, and host Denver overcame a 36-point performance by Blake Griffin.

Nets 108, 76ers 102: Paul Pierce scored 25 points, Deron Williams added 21 and host Brooklyn stopped a three-game losing streak.

Spurs 102. Pelicans 95: Tony Parker scored 21 of his 32 points in the second half and also doled out nine assists, and visiting San Antonio overcame a 14-point deficit.

Bucks 101, Knicks 98: Brandon Knight made a three-pointer with 1.4 seconds left and finished with 25 points, and host Milwaukee snapped a six-game losing streak.

Mavericks 124. Cavaliers 107: Dirk Nowitzki scored 23 points, Devin Harris had a season-high 16 and host Dallas handed Cleveland its fifth straight loss.

Raptors 94, Jazz 79: DeMar DeRozan scored 23 points and Jonas Valanciunas added 18 to help visiting Toronto win its fourth in five games.

Kings 99, Bulls 70: DeMarcus Cousins had 25 points and 16 rebounds to help host Sacramento snap a seven-game losing streak.

#### Scoreboard

#### Eastern Conference Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB						
Toronto	26	22	.542	-						
Brooklyn	21	25	.457	4						
New York	19	29	.396	7						
Boston	16	33	.327	101/2						
Philadelphia	15	34	.306	111/2						
Southeast Division										
Miami	34	13	.723	-						
Atlanta	25	21	.543	81/2						
Washington	24	23	.511	10						
Charlotte	21	28	.429	14						
Orlando	13	37	.260	221/2						
Central		n								
Indiana	37	10	.787	-						
Chicago	23	24	.489	14						
Detroit	19	28	.404	18						
Cleveland	16	32	.333	211/2						
Milwaukee	9	39	.188	281/2						

#### Western Conference

Southwest Division									
	w	L	Pct	GB					
San Antonio	35	13	.729	-					
Houston	32	17	.653	31/2					
Dallas	28	21	.571	71/2					
Memphis	26	21	.553	81/3					
New Orleans	20	27	.426	14%					
Northwest Division									
Oklahoma City	39	11	.780	-					
Portland	34	14	.708	4					
Denver	23	23	.500	14					
Minnesota	23	24	.489	14%					
Utah	16	32	.333	22					
Pacific D									
L.A. Clippers	34	17	.667	-					
Phoenix	29	18	.617	3					
Golden State	29	19	.604	31/2					
L.A. Lakers	16	31	.340	16					
Sacramento	16	32	.333	16%					
Monday's	gam	es							

Washington 100, Portland 90 Brooklyn 108, Philadelphia 102 Washington 100, POTLAIN 29 Brooklyn 108, Philadelphia 102 Miami 102, Detroit 96 Oklahoma City 86, Memphis 77 Milwaukee 101, New Yorke 98 San Antonio 102, New Orleans 95 Derwer 116, L.A. Clippers 115 Toronto 94, Utah 79 Sacramento 99, Chicago 70 Torense 41, Utah 79 Sacramento 99, Chicago 70

Tuesday's games
Indiana at Atlanta
L.A. Lakers at Minnesota
Chicago at Phoenix
Charlotte at Golden State
Wednesday's game
Detroit at Orlando

Detroit at Orlando Boston at Philadelphia Boston at Philadelphia San Antonio at Washington LA. Lakers at Cleveland Phoenix at Houston Minnesota at Oklahoma City Dallas at Memphis Atlanta at New Ork Milwaukee at Denver Toronto at Sacramento Miami at L.A. Clippers Thursday's games San Antonio at Brooklyn

Chicago at Golden State

#### Monday Kings 99. Bulls 70

Chicago 12 21 24 13-ros Sacramento 24 20 27 28-99 Inter-B-Point Goals—Chicago 4-20 (But-I-13, Dunleavy 1-3, Snell 1-3, Augustin 1-1, Acy 1-1, Outlaw 0-1, McLemore 0-2, Thornton 0-3), Fouled Out-Mone. Re-bounds—Chicago 44 (Boozer 9), Sendenton 1-1, Point 1-1, Acy 1-1, Outlaw 0-1, McLemore 0-2, Fredette 4), Total Fouls—Chicago 24, Sac-remento 26 (Coustin 50), Assistance of the Chicago 24, Sac-remento 25 (Continuals—Chicago 24, Sac-remento 25 (Continuals—Chicago 24, Sac-

#### Mavericks 124, Cavaliers 107

Mavericks 124, Cavaliers 1017
CLEVELAND — Deng. 8-16 - 25-18.
Thomps: 15-25-18.
Thom

24-26 124.
Cleveland 25 27 27 28-107
Dallas 27 32 35 30-124
Three-Point Goals-Cleveland 8-24
(Irving 4-9, Miles 2-5, Bennett 1-2, Jack
1-2, Waiters 0-2, Deng 0-4), Dallas 1226 (Calderon 3-5, Nowitzki 3-5, Harris
2-3, Ellis 2-3, Ellington 1-2, Carter 1-4,
Crowder 0-4). Fouled Out-Bennett. Re-

bounds—Cleveland 38 (Deng, Thompson 8), Dallas 51 (Nowitzki, Dalembert 8). As-Sists—Cleveland 21 (Jack, Irving 8), Dal las 30 (Calderon 10). Total Fouls—Cleve land 24, Dallas 23, A—19,595 (19,200).

#### Nuggets 116, Clippers 115

	L.A. CLIPPERS —			
	Griffin 13-21 10-16	36. J	ordan	7-10 5-6
	19, Collison 4-12 0-0	9, Re	dick 4	11 0-0 9,
	Crawford 5-8 8-9 19,			
	lins 1-1 0-0 2, Turko	alu 1-	3 2-3 4	. Green
1/5	1-3 0-0 2, Totals 42-8	4 25-3	4 115.	
1/5	DENVER - Chance			
-	11-13 6-9 28, Hickson			
	10-19 6-8 27, Fove 4-	11 4-5	14. Mc	zgov 1-6
16	2-2 4, Fournier 0-1 1	-2 1. A	rthur	1-7 0-0 2.
	O.Miller 3-6 2-4 9, To	tals 4	0-83 31	-44 116.
	L.A. Clippers	29	31 21	34-115
1/2	Denver	25	35 22	34-116
	Three-Point Goa	Is-L.	A. Clin	pers 6-

21 (Barnes 2-6, Collison 1-2, Crawford 1-2, Redick 1-4, Dudley 1-4, Turkoglu 0-1, Green 0-2), Denver 5-18 (Foye 2-7, O.Miller 1-2, Lawson 1-4, Chandler 1-5), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 45 (Jordan 12), Denver 62 (Hickson 12). Assists—L.A. Clippers 31 (Collison 0), Denver 18 (Hickson 5). Total Fouls— L.A. Clippers 27, Denver 23. Technicals— Redick, Fournier. A—16,567 (19,155).

#### Raptors 94, Jazz 79

TORONTO — Ross 2-8 0-0 5, Johnson 5-1-3 11, Valanciunas 8-14 2-2 18, Lowry 12.1-3.11, Vallanciunas 8-14.2-2.18, Lowry 18-10-2, Debtzon-71-57-72, Sasimons 5-9, Sa

Three-Point Goals—Toronto 6-21 (Salmons 3-5, DeRozan 2-3, Ross 1-5, Vasquez 0-3, Lowry 0-5), Utah 3-17 (Jeffer-son 1-2, Rush 1-2, Williams 1-3, Burks 0-1, Burke 0-4, Hayward 0-5). Rebounds—To-ronto 51 (Johnson 11), Utah 45 (Williams Gobert 8). Assists—Toronto 21 (Salmons, Vasquez, DeRozan 4), Utah 10 (Burke, Hayward 3). Total Fouls—Toronto 17, Utah 16, A—17,139 (19,911).

#### Bucks 101, Knicks 98

DIICKS 1U1, NIICKS 390 NEW YORK — Anthony 13-25 5-6 36, Shumpert 27 70-5 Chandler 3-3 1-6; The Shumpert 27 70-5 Chandler 3-3 1-6; The 9-17 6-6 30, Hardaway Jr. 2-10-2-7; Stou-demire 3-7 1-27, Tyler 0-0 0-0. Totals 34-15-24 98. 15-24 98. Ilyasova 4-11 4-4 13, Sanders 3-4 2-2, 8, Knight 10-23 1-125, Wolfers 37-0-6, An-tetokoummpo 5-9 5-8 15, Butler 1-6 0-0.3, Pachulla 4-9 4-12, Ridnour 9-0 0-0. To-

Pachulia 4-9 4-4 12, Ridnour 0-3 0-0 0. To-tals 36-81 18-21 101. New York 19 24 26 29-98 Milwaukee 18 32 25 26-101 Three-Point Goals—New York 15-34 Smith 6-11, Anthony 5-10, Felton 1-2, Prigioni 1-2, Shumpert 1-3, Hardaway 1-1-15), Milwaukee 11-18 (Middleton Jr. 1-b), Milwaukee 11-18 (Middleton 5-6, Knight 4-8, Butler 1-1, Ilyasova 1-2, Ridnour 0-1), Fouled Out-Sanders, Rebounds—New York 49 (Chandler 10), Milwaukee 52 (Sanders 11), Assists—New York 17 (Felton 7), Milwaukee 20 (Knight 7), Total Fouls—New York 20, Milwaukee 24, A—11,147 (18,717).

#### Spurs 102, Pelicans 95

SAN ANTONIO - Green 1-7 4-4 7, Dun-n 10-20 1-3 21, Diaw 2-8 0-0 5, Parker

can 10-20 1-3 21. Diaw 2-8 0-0 5, Parker 12-24 8-3 23, Dispensive 3-0 6, Bellmell 4-7, 12-24 8-3 23, Dispensive 3-0 6, Bellmell 4-7, 5-8 dills 2-6 0-0 5, Bellmell 4-7, 5-8 dills 2-6 0-0 6, Dellmell 4-7, 5-8 dills 2-6 0-0 6, De

tals 36-79 17-29 95.
San Antonion
San Antonion
27 27 22 18 9-18
Three-Point Goals—San Antonio 5-18
Ghomer 1-1, Deseph 1-1, Diany 1-2, Mills 1-4, Green 1-5, Belinelli 0-2, Parker 0-3), New
Boherts 1-3, Rivers 0-1, Evans 0-1, Aminu
0-2), Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—San Antonio 41, Quoncan, Green, Spitter 7),
Antonio 41, Quoncan, Green, Spitter 7),
Antonio 20 (Parker 9), New Orleans 16
Rivers 51, Total Fouls—San Antonio 16, New Orleans 24, Technicals—Duncan,
New Orleans 24, Technicals—Duncan,
Parker, A—17,066 (17,186),



The Heat's LeBron James looks for a way around the Pistons Josh Smith on Monday. The Heat won 102-96.

#### Thunder 86. Grizzlies 77

MEMPHIS — Prince 2-10 0-0 4, Ran-dolph 6-15 1-2 13, Gasol 5-11 3-4 13, Ca-lathes 4-11 0-0 8, Lee 3-10 4-5 11, Koufos 3-6 1-2 7, Miller 4-9 2-2 11, Johnson 4-8 0-0 8, Franklin 0-0 0-0 0, Davis 1-1 0-0 2.

0-0 8, Franklin 0-0 0-0 0, Davis 1-1, 0-0 2. Totals 32-81, 11-157. Purant 11-21, 7-10 11-157. Purant 11-21, 7-10 11-157. Purant 11-21, 7-10 11-21, 7-1 Lamb U-1, Ibaka U-1, Jones U-2, Jackson U-2). Fouled Out–None. Rebounds—Memphis 48 (Randolph 13), Oklahoma City 5 (Ibaka 12). Assists—Memphis 18 (Prince 5), Oklahoma City 17 (Durant 8). Total Fouls—Memphis 21, Oklahoma City 20. Technicals—Oklahoma City defensive three second. A–18,203 (18,203).

#### Nets 108, 76ers 102

PHILADELPHIA — Turner 3-8 3-3 9, foung 7-11 2-2 17, Hawes 3-7 0-0 8, Cart-r-Williams 6-17 6-7 21, J.Anderson 5-8 -2 12, Allen 2-2 1-2 5, Thompson 2-3 0-0 1, Wroten 6-8 6-9 18, E.Williams 3-7 1-3 8.

12 JL2, Allen 2 2 J.2 S. Thompson 2-3 9 o. 2 1 Thompson 2-3 10 c. 3 1 Thompson 2-3 10 c. 3 1 Thompson 2-3 10 c. 3 1 Thompson 2-3 1 Thompson 2

#### Heat 102, Pistons 96

**DETROIT** — Smith 5-20 1-1 12, Monroe 6-13 5-7 17, Drummond 5-6 2-4 12, Jennings 7-15 10-12 26, Caldwell-Pope 0-1 0-0 0, Singler 1-5 0-0 2, Stuckey 8-17 2-3 20, Jerebko 1-4 0-0 2, Bynum 1-2 2-2 5. Totals

Jerebko 1-4 0-0 2, byttom 1-2 - 1 348 32 2-29 96.5 9-19 6-8 24, Battier 1-5 0-3, Bosh 5-8 6-7 17, Chalmers 3-11 2-2 8, Wade 13-19 3-4-30, Andersen 1-2 0-0 2, Aleina 3-6 0-0 9, Cole 1-8 0-0 3, Beasley 1-2 0-0 2, Oden 2-3 0-0 4, Totals 39-85 17-21 102. Detroit 29 28 23 16-96 Miami 32 31 21 18-102

Miami 2 18-102 Three-Point Goals—Detroit E-16 (Stuck-ey 2-3, Jennings 2-7, Byrum 1-2, Smith 1-4, 1-1 Bosh 1-2, Cole 1-2, Battler 1-4, James 0-3, Chalmers 0-4), Fouled Out-Mone. Rebounds—Detroit 57 (Drummond 12), October 1-4, Smith 1-4, James 1-4, James 1-1, Total 1-4, James 1-4, James 11), Total College 1-4, James 11, Total Fouls—Detroit Coach Cheeks, Jennings, Monroe, Smith, Cole A.—19,802 (19,600)

#### Wizards 100, Trail Blazers 90

PORTLAND — Aldridge 10-18 0-0 20, Ba-turn 6-12 4-4 18, Lopez 6-8 0-0 12, Lillard 8-19 7-7 25, Matthews 4-10 0-0 9, Freeland 1-3 0-0 2, Williams 2-8 0-1 4, McCollum 0-2 0-0 0, Robinson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 37-81

0-2 0-0 0, Robinson 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 37-81, 11-12-20, 1

#### Pacers 98, Magic 79

ORLANDO — Harris 4-8 2-2 11, Davis 3-9 1-2 7, Vucevic 8-16 0-1 16, Oladipo 2-11 2-2 6, Afflalo 8-18 0-0 20, Nicholson 1-6 0-0 2, Harkless 2-4 0-0 4, Moore 2-5 1-2 6, O'Quinn 2-4 0-1 4, Lamb 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 2, 92 6-10

O'Quinn 2-4 0-1 4, Lamb 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 33-83 6-10.7 Secure 5-12.9 CaHill 1-8 0-0 2. Stephenson 5-11 4-5 15, Granger 5-9 3-15, Stephenson 5-11 4-5 15, Granger 5-9 3-15, Scola 4-13 2-2 10, Watson 5-10 0-0 12, Mahimia 7-12-7, Butler 0-0 0-0 0. Copeland 1-3 0-0 2, Johnson 1-1 0-0 2, Sloan 0-10-0 0. Totals 38-90 14-75 9.3 16-79 Indiana 22 28 13 16-79 Indiana 29 3 0 16 23-88

#### NHI

#### Scoreboard

#### Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division									
	GP	W	L	OT		GF	GA		
Boston	54	35	16	3	73	164			
Tampa Bay	55	32	18	5	69	162	137		
Toronto	57	30	21	6	66	170	176		
Montreal	56	29	21	6	64	137	139		
Detroit	56	25	19	12	62	146	158		
Ottawa	56		21		59	159	178		
Florida	55	21	27	7	49	133	174		
Buffalo	55	15	32	8	38	107	164		
Metrop	olit	an	Div	isio	n				
Pittsburgh	56	39	15	2		178	133		
N.Y. Rangers	56	30	23	3	63	145	140		
Columbus	56		23	4		167			
			23	6	62	157	165		
	54	25	20	9	59	137			
	56		22	9	59	164	172		
	57	23	21	13	59	133	142		
N.Y. Islanders	57	21	28	-8	50	159			

#### Western Conference

Central Division								
	GP	W	L		Pts	GF GA		
Chicago	58	34	10	14	82	205 161		
St. Louis	54	37	12	5	79	185 125		
	55	36	14			167 143		
Minnesota	57	29	21	7	65	140 144		
Dallas	55	25	21	9	59	158 160		
Nashville	57	25	23	9	59	142 172		
Winnipeg	57	27	25	5	59	158 160 142 172 161 166		
Paci	fic	Div	isio	n				
Anaheim		40		5	85	191 143		
San Jose		35		6	76	170 139		
	58				66	137 127		
Vancouver	57	27	21			142 149		
	55		19	10	62	159 164		
Calgary	55	21	27	7	49	132 173		
Edmonton	58	19	33	6	44	150 196		
Note: Two poi	nts	for	a	win,	on	e point		

for overtime loss r Overtime loss.
Sunday's games
Washington 6, Detroit 5, OT
Winnipeg 2, Montreal 1
Monday's games
Edmonton 3, Buffalo 2
Pittsburgh 2, Ottawa 1, OT
Detroit 2, Vancouver 0
Colorado 2, New Jersey 1, OT

Colorado 2, New Jersey I, Columbus 4, Anaheim 2 Chicago 5, Los Angeles 3 Philadelphia 5, San Jose 2 Tuesday's gam Vancouver at Boston Colorado at N.Y. Rangers Winnipeg at Carolina Calgary at Montreal Toronto at Florida

Calgary at Montreal
Toronto at Florida
N.Y. Islanders at Washington
Ottawa at St. Louis
Tampa Bay at Minnesota
Dallas at Phoenix
Wednesday's games
Pittsugrah at Buffalo
Chicago at Anaheim
Dallas at San Jose

#### Blackhawks 5, Kings 3

**A**=18.118 (18.118), **T**=2:36.

#### Flyers 5, Sharks 2

Finalegena Survey Company Comp

#### Blue Jackets 4, Ducks 2

n
1-
lt
5,
5,
),
1:

Columbus, Foligno 15 (Atkinson, Tyutin), 13:07 (pp), 6, Anaheim, Getzlaf 27 (Lind-holm, Penner), 16:41. Shots on Goal—Columbus 10-10-13— 33. Anaheim 8-13-15—36.

35. Mannerm 8-13-15—36.
Power-play opportunities—Columbus
2 of 5; Anaheim 0 of 2.
Goalies—Columbus, Bobrovsky 20-13-2
(36 shots-34 saves). Anaheim, Ander-post 14-2-0, 123-20 sen 14-3-0 (33-29).

#### Red Wings 2 Canucks 0

Vancouver					0	0	0-0
Detroit							1-2
	Period-				de	lk	ader
7 (Zetterb	erg, Nyq	uist)	, 1:08	3			
	eriod-2			Abd	elk	cac	ler 8
(Kronwall	), 19:44 (	en-p	p).				

Missed Penalty Shot—Booth, Van. 4:41 cond. Shots on Goal-Vancouver 8-13-3-24.

Avaialiche 2	, De	VIIS	T (	u	,
Colorado		0	0	1	1-3
New Jersey		1	0	0	0-
First Period-1,	New	Jerse	v. C	art	er s

First Period—1, New Jersey, Carner 5 (Bernier, Gionta), 18:25, Third Period—2, Colorado, Parenteau 10 (Barrie, Landeskog), 18:13. Overtime—3, Colorado, O'Reilly 21 (Duchene, MacKinnon), 28 (pp). Shots on Goal—Colorado 6-9-9-1—25.

Snots on uoai—Colorado 6-9-9-1—25. New Jersey 11-9-8-0—28. Power-play opportunities—Colorado 1 of 5; New Jersey 0 of 4. Goalies—Colorado, Giguere 8-4-0 (28 shots-27 saves). New Jersey, Schneider 10-10-9 (25-23). New Jersey, A-14,213 (17,625). T-2;21.

## Penguins 2, Senators 1 (OT)

Pittsburgh To 0 0 1–2 First Period-1, Ottawa, Da Costa 3 (Conacher, Condra), 14:05. 2, Pittsburgh, Gibbons 3 (Maatta, Jokinen), 16:23 (pp). Overtime-3, Pittsburgh, Neal 18 (Bor-tuzzo, Malkin), 1:55. Shots on Goal-Ottawa 8-8-9-0–25. Pittsburgh 13-16-15-4-48.

Pittsburgh 13-16-15-4—48.
Power-play opportunities—Ottawa 0 of 2: Pittsburgh 1 of 3.
Goalies—Ottawa, Anderson 18-11-8 (48 shots-46 saves). Pittsburgh, Fleury 30-13-1 (25-24). -1 (25-24). -18,579 (18,387). **T**-2:31.

Oilers 3, Sabres	32		
Edmonton	1	1	1-3
Buffalo			0-2
First Period-1, Edmonto	n,	Pet	ry 4
(Yakupov, Perron), :32. 2, Bu	ıffal	0, 0	Ott 9
(Myers, Hodgson), 8:04 (pp)	. 3,	Buf	falo,
Stafford 8 (Girgensons, We	eber	), 1	19:04

(sh). Second Period—4, Edmonton, J.Schultz
8 (Perron, Ference), 16:45.
Third Period—5, Edmonton, Hendricks
4 (Gordon, Marincin), :57 (sh).

4 (Gordon, Marincin), :57 (sh.).

Shots on Goal—Edmonton 12-11-5—28.

Buffalo 13-18-13—44.

Power-play opportunities—Edmonton
0 of 5; Buffalo 1 of 6.

Goalies—Edmonton, Bryzgalov 5-8-3
(44 shots-42 saves), Buffalo, Enroth 1-11-5 (28-25).

5 (28-25). A-18,531 (19,070). T-2:34.

#### Leaders Scoring

Through Fe	≥b. 3			
	GP	G	Α	PT
Sidney Crosby, Pit	56	27	48	7
Rvan Getzlaf, Anh	54	27	37	6
lohn Tavares, NYI	56	23	41	6
Patrick Kane, Chi	58	27	36	6
Phil Kessel, Tor	57	30	31	6
Corey Perry, Anh	58	29	30	5
Alex Ovechkin, Was	52	39	19	5
(yle Okposo, NYI	56	24	34	
Patrick Sharp, Chi	58	28	29	5
loe Thornton, SJ	57	8	48	5
Chris Kunitz, Pit	56	27	28	5 5
Claude Giroux, Phi	57	18	37	5
vgeni Malkin, Pit	45	16	39	5



GUS RUFLAS/AP

The Columbus Blue Jackets' Nick Foligno, center, scores a goal on Anaheim Ducks goalie Frederik Andersen, right, and defenseman François Beauchemin in the third period on Monday in Anaheim, Calif.



The San Jose Sharks' Dan Boyle, right, falls down after being checked by the Philadelphia Flyers' Andrej Meszaros during the first period of Monday's game in San Jose, Calif. The Flyers won 5-2.

#### Roundup

# Flyers rally past Sharks

## Four-goal third gives Philly first win over San Jose since 2000

The Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif. - The Philadelphia Flyers used a third-period onslaught to cap a successful trip through the treacherous California triangle.

Matt Read, Michael Raffl and Claude Giroux scored in a span of 2:45 early in the third and led the Flyers past San Jose 5-2 on Monday for their first win over the Sharks since 2000.

"That was a great overall trip," goalie Steve Mason said. "Even the game in Anaheim, I thought we played better than the score indicated. Being able to go into L.A. and get a big win there, and then overall tonight I thought was just a great game from start to finish. We weren't rewarded with the goals early on, but the guys stuck with it. These are the type of victories that feel good."

With wins in Los Angeles and San Jose following a well-played loss in Anaheim, the Flyers return home one point behind the second-place New York Rangers in the Metropolitan Division with two games left before the Olympic break.

"One of the players in L.A. referred to it as the Bermuda triangle, coming into California,' forward Wayne Simmonds said. "I think we played pretty well, we had pretty good compete level all three games and I think four points out of the six is pretty

Mark Streit and Jacob Voracek also scored and Mason made 20 saves for the Flyers, who were 0-11-2 since beating the Sharks on Dec. 21, 2000.

Sharks rookie Matt Nieto scored twice in the first period for his first career multi-goal game, but that lead was erased in a flash early in the third period when Antti Niemi was sent to the bench as San Jose lost for the fourth time in five games.

"When you get outworked and get outnumbered all over the rink, you're going to lose," coach Todd McLellan said, "It's as simple as that. They worked harder than we were in all facets of the game."

Read started the barrage when his shot on the rush deflected off defenseman Matt Irwin's stick to tie the game 1:11 into the third, finally giving the Flyers the tying goal after they were unable to score in the second period.

The Flyers took the lead just 1:18 later when Niemi gave up a big rebound on Erik Gustafsson's point shot that went right to Raffl in the slot.

A neutral-ice turnover by Irwin led to Giroux's 18th goal on a shot that deflected off Niemi's glove, stunning the home crowd 1:27 after Philadelphia took the lead.

Giroux also set up Voracek's

late goal that sealed the win, finishing the game with a goal and two assists. San Jose matched a season worst by allowing four goals in the third period.

Red Wings 2, Canucks 0: Justin Abdelkader scored early in the second period and again in the final seconds while Jimmy Howard finished off a shutout that Jonas Gustavsson started for host Detroit in a win over Vancouver

Blackhawks 5. Kings 3: Patrick Kane had two goals and an assist, Nick Leddy had a goal and an assist as visiting Chicago snapped its recent slump with a win over struggling Los Angeles.

Blue Jackets 4, Ducks 2: Sergei Bobrovsky made 34 saves, Nick Foligno scored twice in the third period and visiting Columbus also got goals from Ryan Johansen and R.J. Umberger in a victory over Anaheim.

Penguins 2, Senators 1 (OT): James Neal scored at 3:05 of overtime to give host Pittsburgh a victory over Ottawa.

Avalanche 2, Devils 1 (OT): Ryan O'Reilly scored a powerplay goal 28 seconds into overtime and visiting Colorado rallied to beat New Jersey.
Oilers 3, Sabres 2: Matt Hen-

dricks' short-handed goal 57 seconds into the third period lifted visiting Edmonton over Buffalo in a matchup of the NHL's two

#### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# Cooney hits 33 as No. 1 Syracuse stays perfect

By John Kekis The Associated Press

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Trevor Cooney has his shooting touch back — just in the nick of time for top-ranked Syracuse.

Cooney scored a career-high 33 points, matching a school record with nine three-pointers, and the Orange beat Notre Dame 61-55 on Monday night in another matchup of former Big East foes.

After struggling to a woeful 25.4 percent (14-for-55) from behind the arc in his first seven Atlantic Coast Conference games, Cooney has hit 11 of 13 in the past two games and was the difference against the Irish as the Orange's front line faltered.

"It feels good," Cooney said. "I kind of got going and guys just found me in good spots."

Syracuse (22-0, 9-0 Atlantic to No. 1 this week after its scintillating 91-89 overtime victory over Duke on Saturday night and Arizona's loss to California, extended its school record for most consecutive wins to start a season. Notre Dame (12-11, 3-7) has lost seven of nine.

Two days after one of the most emotional wins in Jim Boeheim's 38 years as head coach, Syracuse played its first game as the nation's top team since the 2011-12 season. Two years ago, the Orange were unbeaten and ranked No. 1 when they went to South Bend, and Notre Dame upset them 67-58.

It was the eighth time Notre Dame had beaten a No. 1 team and turned out to be Syracuse's lone loss of the regular season. "That was in the back of my mind," said C.J. Fair, who had a season-low six points on 2-of-13 shooting after scoring a careerhigh 28 against Duke. "I didn't want that to happen again."

Cooney made sure there was no repeat, hitting five three-pointers in the first half as the Orange gained a three-point halftime advantage, then barely held the Irish at bay in the second half.

"We put ourselves in position to make it interesting." Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said. "We came into this game, and especially if you watch what they did to Duke, beating them up in the paint. You really try to take stuff away in the paint. I thought overall with the guys that destroy you in the paint we did a good job. But we couldn't do a good job on Cooney. Seven of the nine I think we challenged. He was just in one of those zones, and you've got to take your hat off"

Cooney, 9-for-12 from long range, matched the record set by Gerry McNamara in the 2004 NCAA tournament and equaled by Andy Rautins in 2008 and James Southerland in 2012.

Jerami Grant and Fair, who combined for 54 points against Duke, combined for just 15, while Tyler Ennis found little room in the lane to penetrate and finished with six points and eight assists.

Garrick Sherman led Notre Dame with 16 points, Steve Vasturia had 13, and Pat Connaughton 11, while Eric Atkins had nine on 3-for-10 shooting.

Notre Dame closed within 38-32 on a three-pointer from Atkins with 14:19 to play, but Syracuse responded with seven straight



EVIN RIVOLI/AP

Syracuse's Trevor Cooney passes the ball while guarded by Notre Dame's Eric Atkins during the first half of Monday's game at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse, N.Y. Top-ranked Syracuse won 61-55.

points. Grant slammed home a dunk after his block on Sherman and Fair followed with a slam off a Grant miss. Cooney completed the run with his seventh threepointer, which tied his personal best.

The Irish have four long-range threats in Atkins, Connaughton, Vasturia, and Demetrius Jackson, who had combined for 127 threepointers on the season entering the game, and Notre Dame's longrange attack came alive in the second half after going 1-for-6 in the first 20 minutes.

Two three-pointers by Atkins, Vasturia's three-point play and a slam dunk by Tom Knight moved the Irish back within 43-40 with 8-41 to go.

Grant responded with a spinning drive through the lane and Cooney hit another three-pointer. Grant then fed Cooney for a reverse layup and three-point play and Cooney hit his ninth threepointer for a 54-44 lead with 4:14 to play.

Notre Dame refused to wilt, pulling back to 54-49 on Connaughton's three-point play at 2:52.

"That's who this group is," Brey said. "We haven't been able to get over the hump and win enough. We've been down on the road just about every time, and we come back and give ourselves a chance. I love that about us. If we keep doing that enough, I think we'll get a couple of them."

Grant's layup off a feed from Ennis and two free throws by Ennis boosted the lead back to eight, and the Orange made it interesting when Ennis and Fair each missed the front end of 1and-1s in the final minute.

Atkins missed a floater and Connaughton was off on a threepoint attack in the final seconds.

"I had a look and missed, which would have been a really big shot for us," Atkins said. "That was a huge play. But they played great. They made plays when they were needed."

#### Top 25 roundup

## Iowa St. outlasts Oklahoma St. in 3 OT thriller

The Associated Press

STILLWATER, Okla. — A pair of unlikely players helped Iowa State win one of the most thrilling games of the college basketball season

Naz Long hit a three-pointer to tie the game with 1.4 seconds left in the second overtime and Monte Morris drained a three in the final minute of the third overtime to help the 16th-rahded Cyclomes defeat No. 19 Oklahoma State 98-97 in triple overtime on Monday night.

"It think you guys have been seeing it all year — those guy can play," said Iowa State's Melvin Ejim, the Big 12's leading scorer. "One through 12, we can play and the confidence coach instills in us, in each player, to go out and knock down that shot with confidence — it showed today. We had multiple guys step up and make big shots."

Iowa State's stars did their part. DeAndre Kane had 26 points, 10 rebounds and nine assists while primarily being guarded by Oklahoma State star Marcus Smart. Ejim had 22 points and 12 rebounds, Georges Niang scored 17 points and Dustin Hogue added 10 points and 13 rebounds for the Cyclones (17-4, 5-4 Big 12). It was Iowa State's first victory at Gallagher-Tba Arena since March 2, 1988, back when both teams were still in the Big 8 Conference.

"To gut this win out was huge," Iowa State coach Fred Hoiberg said. "It would have been a very difficult loss fighting three overtimes and walking out of here with a loss. I'm proud of our guys for finding a way to win it."

Le'Bryan Nash scored 26 points, Smart had 20 points and deight assists and Markel Brown added 19 points and 10 rebounds for Oklahoma State (16-6, 4-5), which lost its third in a row. Oklahoma State was without guard Stevie Clark, who was kicked off the team Monday after his second arrest of the new year.

Oklahoma State coach Travis Ford, normally talkative, had little to say after the game.

"We had our chances," he said.
"We didn't rebound the basket-

ball at crucial times. Obviously, Iowa State made big shots and had big rebounds. We didn't rebound when it counted."

Kane and Morris each played 52 minutes for Iowa State. Brown played 54 minutes, Smart played 52 and Nash 50 for Oklahoma State

"I could've kept going," Nash said. "I love basketball, but it was a tough game. We played as hard as we can."

No. 6 Villanova 81, Xavier 58:

James Bell hit six three-pointers and scored 27 points and Darrun Hilliard had 17 to lead host Villanova to a win over Xavier.

Bell made 6 of 10 three-pointers and was 10-for-14 overall from the floor and grabbed eight rebounds. He scored 21 points in the second half as the Wildcats (20-2, 8-1 Big East) hit the 20-win mark at the second fastest point in program history. The 2009-10 team oneaed 20-1

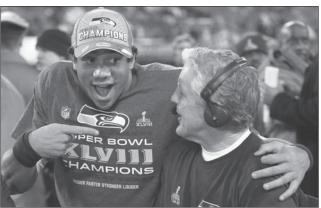
Semaj Christon led Xavier (15-7, 5-4) with 17 points and Matt Stainbrook had 14. The Musketeers have lost three straight.



BRODY SCHMIDT/

Iowa State's DeAndre Kane dunks the ball during the first half of Monday's Big 12 game in Stillwater, Okla. Iowa State won 98-97.

## NFL/OLYMPICS



Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson, left, laughs with Seahawks head coach Pete Carroll during a television interview after Super Bowl XLVIII on Sunday in East Rutherford, N.J.

## Seahawks ready to begin work on defending Super Bowl title

By Howard Fendrich The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Less than 12 hours after winning the Super Seattle Seahawks coach Pete Carroll already was talking about getting started on next



season. meeting we'll have will be tomorrow.

Our guys would be surprised if we didn't," Car-roll said Monday morning. "We really have an eye on what's coming, and we don't dwell on what just happened. We'll take this in

He appeared at a news conference at a Manhattan hotel with linebacker Malcolm Smith, the MVP of Seattle's 43-8 victory over Peyton Manning and the Denver Broncos on Sunday night.

Carroll oversees a team with the fourth-voungest roster for a Super Bowl champ, with an average age of 26 years, 175 days, according to STATS. The youngest champs ever were the Pittsburgh Steelers who won the 1975 Super Bowl, and they collected a second

straight title the next year. Seattle quarterback Russell Wilson just wrapped up his second season in the league, as did Jermaine Kearse, the receiver who caught one of the QB's two touchdown passes Sunday night. Doug Baldwin, who caught the other, is only three years into his pro career, as are star cornerback Richard Sherman and Smith, who at 24 is the fourth-youngest player to be the Super Bowl MVP.

"We've seen the effort that it takes to get to this point and, obviously, we'll try to replicate that and do it again," Smith said. "We're looking forward to the next challenges and guys having

We've seen the effort that it takes to get to this point and, obviously, we'll try to replicate that and do it again. We're looking forward to the next challenges and guys having a target on their back and people trying to come after us. 7

**Malcolm Smith** 

Seattle Seahawks linebacker and Super Bowl XLVIII MVP

a target on their back and people trying to come after us.

Smith became the third linebacker to earn Super Bowl MVP honors, thanks to a 69-vard touchdown return off an interception of regular-season MVP Manning in the first half and a fumble recov-

ery in the second half.

He said that during the game, some of his teammates were telling him, "You might be the MVP."

"And I was like, 'No way. No way. Not me."

Carroll said general manager John Schneider has positioned the Seahawks to be able to avoid the problems that can make it hard to repeat as NFL champions, Since Denver repeated in the 1999 game, only one team has won two Super Bowls in a row, the New England Patriots in 2004-05.

There's the need to replace players who leave via free agency The need to pay other players with new, better-paying contracts.

"John Schneider has done an

extraordinary job of structuring this roster contractually, and with the vision of looking ahead, so that we can keep our guys to-gether," Carroll said. "One of the things that happens every so often is teams have a big fallout after they win the Super Bowl. We're not in that situation."

Carroll was reminded during Sunday's game of some of his blowout wins in college bowl games when he was a title-winning coach at Southern California.

"It felt like it. It looked like it. The score was like it," he said Monday.

"I really can't tell you exactly what it is, but something's going on because I sat back there at the end of the first quarter and said, 'Shoot, here it goes,'" he said. "Bang, bang, bang, bang, and it's 22-0 at halftime."

Carroll described the lopsided nature of the game as "kind of like an avalanche," an interesting choice of words given the hubbub last week - and, really, for months before that whether the first outdoor Super Bowl at a cold-weather site would be affected by snow.

Instead, the weather wasn't a factor Sunday at the stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., where the temperature was 49 degrees at kickoff and only some light rain fell. On Monday morning, meanwhile, driving snow hit the area and forecasts called for up to 8

"I don't know how (NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell) pulled it off, but he pulled off the weather in perfect fashion," Carroll joked. "The NFL is powerful."

# White adds name to list of injured

## Snowboarder jams his left wrist during a run on treacherous slopestyle course

By EDDIE PELLS The Associated Press

KRASNAYA POLYANA. Russia - Shaun White saw the glassy sheen of the super-steep takeoff ramp and knew something bad

He fell and jammed his left wrist — adding another nagging injury to his long list of bumps and bruises while also entering his name on the growing list of athletes falling victim to a treacherous Olympic slopestyle course.
"A little intimidating," he called

the course after Tuesday's training. "It's been a challenge."

Through two days of practice runs in the Russian mountains above Sochi, the course at Rosa Khutor Extreme Park has already taken out one of the favorites, Torstein Horgmo of Norway, who broke a collarbone while riding through the rails Monday.

On Tuesday, shortly after White's minor injury, Marika Enne of Finland fell hard and hit her head at the end of her run. She was taken off the course on a stretcher with a concussion.

Slopestyle qualifying begins Thursday — the day before the opening ceremony — with White trying to win the first of two gold medals at this year's Olympics. His attempt at a third straight title on the halfpipe is set for next Tuesday.

First, though, he must emerge unscathed from a slopestyle course that is taking its toll on some of the world's best riders.

"It's frustrating to see it," White said. "It puts a damper on the whole mood and it's kind of like you're getting ready to do a big trick and you see something like that. Intimidating. Unfortunate. I'm hoping the builders can make some changes and the course has a little more of a friendly vibe. But I can't change the course. Just doing the best I can.

Rider after rider said the same thing. As Tuesday's training session was winding down, a large cluster of snowboarders and their coaches met at the base for a discussion of what changes need to

be made before Thursday. No matter what fixes they make, there's no taking the dan-

ger completely out of slopestyle. Horgmo's injury came on a rail at the top of the course — a feature that has potential for injury no matter how the course is built

Canada's Mark McMorris, one of the favorites in this event, knows all about that. He is 10 days removed from breaking a rib after slamming into a rail on his final run at the Winter X Games.

He said he's medically clear but still sore. He skipped training Monday and made his first runs Tuesday.

Asked about the course, he said the take-off ramps are built "kind of obnoxiously tall." One theory is they were overbuilt to compensate for melting, which could come if temperatures remain above freezing as they have this week.

But dangerous?

'I don't think it's dangerous. McMorris said. "Snowboarding's dangerous. But crossing the street is dangerous, too."

White claimed his wrist injury shouldn't slow him down over the upcoming six-day span that will help determine his legacy; on the halfnine he is honing to become the first American male athlete to win an event at the Winter Games three straight times.

The shiner he took while training in Copper Mountain last week is almost completely cleared up 
— just a small trace of red underneath the right eye.

The ankle he sprained last month? No problem.

The right shoulder he jammed in a nasty fall in Mammoth Lakes at an Olympic qualifier? "The shoulder still needs to cooperate a little more. It's a little rough, I've just got to warm it up real good in the morning," he said.

Not that anybody expects to reach the Olympics without a few aches and pains



Shaun White takes a jump during a snowboard slopestyle training session at the Rosa Khutor Extreme Park on Tuesday in Krasnaya Polvana, Russia.

#### DIYMPICS

#### CAPSULES BY SPORT

SOCHI, Russia - A look at the sports for the Sochi Olympics:

#### Alpine skiing

#### THE BASICS

After missing the first three Winter Olympics, Alpine skiing joined the program in 1936. Ten gold medals will be awarded in Sochi, five for men and five for women — downhill, slalom, giant slalom, super giant slalom (usually called super-G) and super combined.

#### STARS TO WATCH

With Lindsey Vonn out injured, the 18-year-old American many call "The Next Lindsey Vonn," Mikaela Shiffrin, will attract plenty of attention as the favorite to win the slalom. Maria Hoefl-Riesch of Germany, a double gold medalist at the 2010 Vancouver Games, and Lara Gut of Switzerland, who'll be making her Olympic debut, could dominate other races, Aksel Lund Svindal of Norway already enjoys rock-star status in Europe, while 36-year-old Bode Miller, owner of five Olympic medals, and Ted Ligety, who won three titles at last year's world championships, will also be ones to watch from the U.S. team.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Austria has won a record 105 Alpine skiing medals at the Olympics, nearly twice as many as any other country. Switzerland ranks second with 56, followed by France with 43 and the United States with 39.

#### Biathlon

#### THE BASICS

Like several other sports, biathlon has military origins with the combination of cross-country skiing and rifle shooting first becoming a common exercise for winter troops in northern countries during the second half of the 19th century. That also helps explain why countries like Norway. Russia and Sweden are still dominant. Biathlon has one of the busiest schedules on the Olympic program, with four individual events for both men and women, along with a relay. New for this year

#### STARS TO WATCH

Martin Fourcade of France has been the top men's biathlete in the last two years, winning three world championship titles in 2012 and the overall World Cup last season, and he is expected to add his first Olympic gold in Sochi. Emil Hegle Svendsen of Norway could well add to his two golds from Vancouver, as well. On the women's side, expect Tora Berger of Norway and Darya Domracheva of Belarus to grab at least a couple of medals each.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

One of the all-time greats will be competing in the biathlon events in Sochi as Ole Einar Bioerndalen aims to cap his storied career by making Olympic history. The 40-year-old Norwegian has six Olympic golds from previous Games and needs two more to equal the Winter Games record. While Bjoerndalen hasn't won an individual World Cup race in two years, Norway is one of the favorites in both the men's and mixed relay meaning he could well get there.

#### Roheled

#### THE BASICS

It looks simple, but it's incredibly intricate



for the ride down the track. Everyone sprints while pushing the sled on ice, then hons inside at which point the driver is typically the only one with his or her head up for the rest of the trip. One wrong move, and that sled could tumble on its

STARS TO WATCH Holcomb Steven Holcomb

to get a sled going and keep it upright side easily.



KERSTIN INFRSSON/AP

Norway's Ole Einar Bjoerndalen, competing in his sixth Olympics and already owning six gold medals, is one of the favorites in the men's biathlon and mixed relay. Bjoerndalen can tie the Winter Games record with two more golds in Sochi.

of the United States was the top driver on the men's World Cup circuit this winter, while Kaillie Humphries of Canada took the women's overall title. Both won gold at the 2010 Vancouver Games and might again this year. The U.S. has two Olympic track athletes on the women's team, with gold medalist Lauryn Williams and Lolo Jones qualifying as push athletes.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

BMW doesn't just make fast cars. Their sledbuilding business will be on full display in Sochi. with Germans, Americans and Canadians - all medal favorites — among the nations racing in their sleds. And while those sleds bear the same logo, there's some significant set-up and technological differences depending on which nation's flag is affixed.

#### Cross-country

#### THE BASICS

Cross-country skiing is one of the original Winter Olympic sports, on the program since the 1924 Chamonix Games, Only two men's events were held then, though; now it's a total of 10 men's and women's races - ranging from the explosive individual sprint to the grueling endurance test of the men's 50-kilometer race. Events are held in either the classical style or freestyle depending on the format, with the skiathlon a combination of both.

#### STARS TO WATCH

Norway usually dominates the cross-country skiing events, and its two biggest stars are Petter Northug and Marit Bjoergen. Northug has struggled with illness this season, however, and his form is in question. Bjoergen won three golds in Vancouver in 2010 and could well repeat that feat in Sochi if she again gets the better of main rival Justyna Kowalczyk of Poland. Three-time

overall World Cup winner Dario Cologna has only recently returned from an ankle injury but should still he a contender

#### DID YOU KNOW?

The most successful Winter Olympian of all time was a cross-country skier. Bioem Daehlie of Norway won eight Olympic gold medals between 1992 and 1998, along with four silvers. He nearly won a ninth gold, but surprisingly lost a sprint finish to Silvio Fauner of Italy in the men's 4x10-kilometer relay at the 1994 Lillehammer Games, stunning the home crowd.

#### Curling THE BASICS

Two gold medals will be awarded, one for men and one for women. Ten teams are in both tournaments. They all play each other once in the round-robin stage, with four advancing to the semifinals

#### STARS TO WATCH

Margaretha Sigfridsson of Sweden and Eve Muirhead of Britain have been engaged in a battle for supremacy in women's curling for the past 12 months. Muirhead is the world champion and Sigfridsson the European champion and the Olympics can be viewed as the decider. Brad Jacobs is the star attraction in men's curling, although the spotlight is often stolen by the Norwegian team, with its funky wardrobe. DID YOU KNOW?

Canada, the stronghold of world curling, has won a medal in every men's and women's tournament since the sport returned to the Olympic program in 1998.

#### Figure skating

#### THE BASICS

To the familiar medal events of men's and

women's singles, pairs and ice dance, the IOC is adding a team competition. Ten countries will take part, combining the scores of their entries in the four disciplines.

#### STARS TO WATCH



Yuna Kim of South Korea seeks to repeat - she'd be only the third woman to win two straight gold medals. A foot injury forced her out of the Grand Prix series, though. Three-time world champion Patrick Chan is the favorite on the men's side, but was upset by

Yuzuru Hanyu of Japan at the Grand Prix Final. DID YOU KNOW?

Russian or Soviet skaters have won seven of the 10 gold medals in the event, but Canadian ice dancers Tessa Virtue and Scott Moir will be on hand to defend their titles.

#### Freestyle skiing

#### THE BASICS

There are the old-school events - moguls and aerials - and the newcomers - halfpipe and slopestyle. There's also skicross. Moguls are judged on a skier's ability to get down the bumps quickly and smoothly, while also taking off for two jumps that each count for 12.5 percent of the score. Aerials skiers pack multiple flips and twists into a jump that sends them soaring up to 50 feet off a steeply angled ramp. Ski halfpipe and slopestyle are new events, though they'll look very much like the snowhoard version

#### STARS TO WATCH

Defending moguls champion Alex Bilodeau's toughest competition could come from Canadian teammate Mikael Kingsbury. Hannah Kearney of the United States is the defending women's champion. Victor Oehling Norberg of Sweden is a consistent top-10 finisher in skicross but still looking for that first victory of the season

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Freestyle skiing dates back more than 100 years with records of skiers performing somersaults on skis at the start of the 20th century in Norway, Italy and Austria. The first professional competitions were in 1971, and it entered the Olympic program in 1992.

#### Men's hockey

#### THE BASICS

About 150 jetlagged NHL players join their European counterparts in a frenetic 12-team, 12day tournament for hockey supremacy. Nobody has time for practice or team-building with three quick opening-round games before the knockout portion begins, but Canada, Russia, Sweden, Finland and the United States all have their eves on gold.

#### STARS TO WATCH

Reigning NHL MVP Alex Ovechkin and fellow stars Evgeni Malkin and Pavel Datsvuk are under extraordinary home-country pressure to lead the Russians to their first gold medals since the Unified Team's 1992 win in Albertville. Pittsburgh's Sidney Crosby also is back for more Olympic magic after scoring the gold-winning overtime goal in Vancouver.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

The NHL stars are back for their fifth consecutive Olympics since Nagano, but this might be your last chance to see them on the podium for a while. NHL owners are making serious noise about keeping the league in session in 2018 during the Pyeongchang Olympics, citing the time difference to South Korea and lost revenue.

— The Associated Press

#### **DLYMPICS**

#### CAPSULES BY SPORT



MICHAEL SOHN/AP

#### American Erin Hamlin does a training run on the Olympics luge track in Krasnaya Polyana, Russia, on Tuesday.

#### Women's hockey

#### THE BASICS

In order to boost competition in a sport that has been dominated by Canada and the United States, the Olympic women's hockey format was changed this year. The round-robin features a guaranteed grudge match between the North Americans, and a chance for them to earn a bye through to the semifinals

#### STARS TO WATCH

Finland goalie Noora Raty was 41-0 at the University of Minnesota, leading her team to a second straight college championship. Hayley Wickenheiser of Canada is going for her fourth gold medal, and she is already the leading scorer in Olympic women's hockey history with 16 goals and 29 assists; she also won a silver medal when the Americans won the gold in the sport's inaugural Winter Games in 1998.

DID YOU KNOW? U.S. forward Amanda Kessel is the sister of

Toronto Manle Leafs star Phil Kessel, who will be in Sochi for the American men's team.

#### THE BASICS

Sliders race feet-first down the track, sometimes going as fast as 90 mph, though the speeds should be a bit lower at the Sochi Olympics. Steering is done by subtle shifts of the body, and the start is critical. Lugers wear gloves with tiny spikes attached to the finger pads, using them to dig into the ice to gain momentum, before settling into position for the ride.

STARS TO WATCH

Germany, Germany, Felix Loch is the reigning Olympic champion and is favored to repeat in the men's race, and teammate Natalie Geisenberger has been nearly unbeatable on the World Cup circuit to earn her Sochi-favorite status. The Germans also dominate in doubles luge

#### DID YOU KNOW?

The Olympic luge program is growing in Sochi with the addition of a team relay. One man, one

woman and one doubles team will compose each nation's team, and they'll go one after another — with one slider slapping a pad to trigger the clock and tell the next teammate it's time to start their run

#### Nordic combined

#### THE BASICS

With ski jumping and cross-country skiing, it's the last male-only sport at the Winter Olympics. Three gold medals will be awarded, off the normal and large hills with 10-kilometer ski races for each, and a team event from the large hill which includes a 4x5-kilometer cross-country race.

STARS TO WATCH Eric Frenzel of Germany comes into Sochi with a big lead in the World Cup standings, having also won the Nordic Combined Triple in January, a new format that added the results of three competitions on one weekend. The Americans have a strong team, with



large hill gold medalist and team silver medalist Billy Demong back, and 37-year-old Todd Lodwick competing in his sixth Olympics.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

2010 individual

The starting places in the cross-country race are determined by the finishes in the ski jump competition, with generally a 10-point lead in jumping providing a one-minute start in the ski

#### Skeleton

Sometimes called "headfirst luge," but it really has hardly anything in common with the feet-first

racing sport. The sleds are simple, with racers usually grabbing a handle with one arm as they take off running at the start. They then flop onto the sled and have their chin just barely off the surface of the ice as they speed down the chute.

#### STARS TO WATCH

Martins Dukurs of Latvia is a huge favorite to win the men's title. In the women's race, the gold-medal battle figures to come down to Noelle Pikus-Pace of the U.S. and Lizzy Yarnold of Britain. Dukurs' top competition might be his own brother, Tomass. Pikus-Pace was fourth in Vancouver.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

The sport has roots in the 1800s and was in the Olympic program in 1928, then again in 1948. But it wasn't back as a medal snort until 2002, and now attracts sliders from nations that don't even have home tracks on which to train.

#### Ski iumping

Women will compete for the first time in a sport the men have had to themselves since 1924. Four gold medals will be awarded overall, the large hill, the normal hill and a team event for the men. The women will compete only on the normal hill

#### STARS TO WATCH

"Kid Ballerina" Sara Takahashi of Japan, who says her ballet training helps her maintain balance during jumps, is the women's favorite. Her biggest competitors are American teenager Sarah Hendrickson, the world champion who is coming off right knee surgery in August, and Lindsey Van, the sport's first world champion and Hendrickson's teammate.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

The International Olympic Committee fought for years to keep women from ski jumping at the Olympics, with suggestions their event wasn't competitive enough and that their bodies weren't strong enough to take the strain of jumps, affecting their ability to have children.

#### Snowboarding

#### THE BASICS

Five events: Halfpipe, snowboardcross, parallel giant slalom and two new ones - slopestyle and parallel slalom. Slopestyle is a ride down a hill with steeply angled jumps, rails and little bumps called "jibs." Parallel slalom is racing — a shortened version of parallel giant slalom event that's been on the program since snowboarding was introduced in 1998.

#### STARS TO WATCH

A certain rider named Shaun White, who is going for his third straight halfpipe gold and trying to win in slopestyle, as well. Another rider to watch will be Torah Bright of Australia, the defending Olympic halfpipe champion who will compete in halfpipe, slopestyle and snowboardcross

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Mark McMorris of Canada is largely considered White's top challenger in slopestyle but he broke a rib competing in the Winter X Games.

#### Long track speedskating

#### THE BASICS

All races are held in pairs using two lanes on the track. At the back straightaway, the skaters switch lanes, allowing them both to cover the same distance per lap. When both skaters emerge from the corner at the same time, the skater in the inside lane has to let the outer lane pass in front of them. The men and women each compete in five individual events, and the team nursuit

#### STARS TO WATCH

Shani Davis of the United States will try to become the first male skater to win the same event at three straight Olympics in the 1.000 meters. Sven Kramer of the Netherlands is looking for redemption in the 10,000, having lost a gold medal four years ago in Vancouver after being disquali-



Davis

fied when his coach directed him to the wrong lane during the race. On the women's side, Ireen Wust of the Netherlands is a favorite to medal in the 1,500 and 3,000. Claudia Pechstein of Germany will turn 42 during the Olympics, her sixth. She owns nine career medals and will try for a 10th in the 5.000.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

The clap skate revolutionized the sport in the mid-1990s, helping lower world records considerably. The skates are hinged to the front of the boot and detach from the heel, allowing a more natural range of movement. The blades are about 1 millimeter thick and come in lengths from 13 to 18 centimeters.

#### Short track speedskating

#### THE BASICS

Usually between four and six skaters compete on an oval ice rink using a mass start. Men and women compete in the same events: 500 meters, 1,000, 1,500, and the relays (3,000 for women and 5,000 for men). It's often called roller derby on ice and there are several rules that, if broken, result in disqualification.

#### STARS TO WATCH

Viktor Ahn is a medal favorite in all three individual men's events. Born Ahn Hyun-soo in South Korea, Ahn became a Russian citizen in 2011. Wang Meng, China's most decorated Winter Olympian, is out with a broken ankle on the women's side. South Korea's women's team could dominate, led by Shim Suk-hee,

#### DID YOU KNOW?

The most common reason for disqualification is impeding, which involves pushing, blocking or otherwise causing an impediment for another skater.

— The Associated Press

#### OLYMPICS

#### PREVIEWS: 5 THINGS TO KNOW

#### Luge

By Tom WITHERS The Associated Press

Felix Loch is, well, nearly a lock to win Olympic gold again.

The German will defend his luge title in Sochi against a strong field he has outraced on the World Cup circuit this season.

He won his first Olympic gold at age 20 and could join legendary countryman Georg Hackl as the sport's only three-time champion. And 40-year-old Armin Zoeggeler of Italy, gold medalist in 2006 and 2010, will try to become the first Olympian to win six medals at six Winter Games.

Here are five other things to know about the 2014 Sochi luge competition:

Tamer track: In response to safety concerns, the Sanki track was designed with three "uphill" sections that will keep speeds at a reasonable level. Although the descent may not be as exhilarating for racers, the track is challenging and will force athletes to be precise or risk losing time.

"It's nothing too crazy," American doubles luger Jayson Terdiman said of the inclines, but you can feel it slow you down.

Relay ride: No, racers won't be passing a baton at 80 mph, but the relay will require teamwork, timing and accuracy

A female slider will start, and when she reaches the end of the course, she must rise out of her sled and slap a pad hanging over the finish line. That will open the gate up top for the male slider, who after finishing must slap the pad to send the men's doubles team down the track.

The relay has been a big hit with fans during World Cup events.

Powerhouse program: Germany's domination in luge will undoubtedly continue after winning all three disciplines this season.

Natalie Geisenberger, a bronze medalist in Vancouver, won six straight World Cup events and seven of the first eight this season in capturing her second straight championship. She's the one to beat.

In women's luge, Germany has won the past four Olympic golds, 10 of the last 12 medals awarded and 29 of a possible 36 since the 1964 Innsbruck Games.

Germany's Tobias Wendl and Tobias Arlt won the World Cup doubles championship this season and are favored to win

gold in Sochi Young Americans: The U.S. team has undergone a major makeover with only three athletes - Erin Hamlin, Chris Mazdzer and Chris-

tian Niccum - back from the 2010 team. The Americans have naïveté on their side, but nothing can replace experience, especially inside the Olympic rings. At only 27, Hamlin is the sage veteran among the woman sliders with Summer Britcher

(19) and Kate Hansen (21). On the men's singles side, the 25-yearold Mazdzer is joined on the American team by first-time U.S. Olympians Tucker

West, 18, and 19-year-old Aidan Kelly. ■ Back again: Erin Hamlin always dreamed of skidding into the finish area, stepping off her luge and bathing in Olympic glory. A gold medal hanging from her neck was all she ever wanted.

Vancouver was where it was supposed to happen. She wasn't close.

Instead, Hamlin's experience four years ago in Whistler left the U.S. slider emptyhanded and dejected after she placed a disappointing 16th.

There was no way that was going to be the way I was going to go out," the 2009 world champion said.





JONATHAN HAYWARD, THE CANADIAN PRESS/AF

Canada skip Brad Jacobs, center, makes a shot as second, E.J. Harnden, right, and lead Ryan Harnden sweep during the world championships last April. After a breakthrough year in 2013, Jacobs heads to Sochi as the big favorite for the gold medal.

#### Men's curling

By STEVE DOUGLAS The Associated Press

With the red carpets, limousines and non-stop media glare, Brad Jacobs is discovering just what it means to be the top curler in Canada.

After a breakthrough year in 2013 in which his rink became Canadian champion before romping through the Olympic trials, Jacobs heads to the Sochi Games as the big favorite for the gold medal

And be sure of one thing - curling-mad Canada expects gold.

"We have a special team right now," Jacobs said, "and we really feel we are just getting started."

There are nine teams looking to stop the Canadians from completing the hat trick. Norway, the 2010 finalist and famous across the world for wearing funky pants since those Vancouver Games, should again challenge. Sweden, the reigning world champion, is seeking its first men's Olympic curling medal and to emulate the success of the country's women's team,

which won gold in 2006 and 2010.

Britain, Denmark, China, Switzerland, Russia, the United States and Germany

complete the lineup. Here are five things to know about the men's curling tournament:

A family affair: Jacobs has spent holidays and vacations with cousins Ryan and E.J. Harnden, Now. he'll try to win Olympic gold with them. Since 2008, Team Jacobs has contained three members of the same family, who all hail from Sault Ste. Marie in northern Ontario. No wonder there's such a good camaraderie in the rink during matches.

Ryan Fry is the fourth member of the team looking to match the gold-medal exploits of Brad Gushue in 2006 and Kevin Martin in 2010.

Take Norway seriously: There's much more to the Norway team than their crazy pants. They are ac-tually seriously good curlers.

Thomas Ulsrud, Torger Nergard, Christ-offer Svae and Havard Vad Petersson have been playing together since 2008 and are two-time European champions and former world silver medalists. There's also the Olympic silver they won in 2010 - although that was overshadowed by the sensation created by the pants they wore

"I think most people in Norway think we won the gold last time," Svae said. "They are not sure what kind of medal we got because of what happened with the pants.'

For Sochi, the Norwegians will be equipped with as many as 10 newly designed pairs of pants, most of them featuring the red, white and blue of their country's flag.

Prime time for Sweden: After spending years in the shadow of their country's women's team. Sweden's male curlers are starting to grab their own share of the headlines.

Whereas the women have won gold at the past two Olympics, the men haven't made it onto the podium since curling returned to the Winter Games program in Nagano.

In Sochi, however, they will be one of their nation's top gold-medal hopes after ending Canada's three-year stranglehold on the world championship title by winning the 2013 tournament.

Third chance: In 2006, he helped Team USA win a bronze medal. In 2010, he was dropped part-way through the tournament for poor form as the Americans finished last.

So as he heads into his third straight Olympics, which John Shuster will we see in Sochi?

From a U.S. point of view, hopefully the Shuster that led his rink to a stunning 11-1 win over Pete Fenson in just four ends in the final game of the U.S. Olympic trials. Or the Shuster that recovered from two early losses in the Olympic qualification tournament in Germany in December to win five games in a row and make it to Sochi.

Russia's debut: Russia will be making its debut in the men's Olympic curling tournament after making the 10-team lineup courtesy of a host-nation place

The Russians finished 10th out of 12 in their first appearance at a world championship last year in Canada. Andrei Drozdov is once again the team's skip.

#### Women's curling

By STEVE DOUGLAS The Associated Press

After winning curling gold at the last two Olympics, Anette Norberg will again be calling the shots for Sweden at the Sochi Games.

There's a catch: She'll be in a TV commentary booth rather than out on the ice.

With Norberg ending her illustrious curling career last year at 46, the Swedes have a new skip at the Olympics for the first time since 2006 — Margaretha Sigfridsson. The transition so far has been smooth

Sigfridsson is the current European champion and her rink has won silver at the last two world championships. Sigfridsson will have serious competi-

tion as she looks to take over from Norberg as curling's latest "Ice Queen.

Here are five things to know about the women's tournament:

The favorites: They met in the world championship final in March, the European championship final in November and are favored to reach the Olympic final on Feb. 20.

It's 1-1 between Eve Muirhead and Margaretha Sigfridsson in major finals over the past 10 months - Sweden won the Europeans and Scotland won the worlds - so the Olympics could be the decider.

They will be able to size each other up immediately in Sochi after Sweden was drawn to play Britain in the first roundrobin session on Feb. 10. Both skips will be looking to make a statement ahead of a possible rematch 10 days later.

The bagpipe-playing curler: Could Muirhead be any more Scottish? She plays the bagpipes (a junior champion). She loves a round of golf (once played off scratch and had golf scholarship offers in the U.S.). And she also has curling in her blood (her father, Gordon, was a 1999 world champion).

Muirhead has already had one attempt at Olympic gold, in Vancouver in 2010 when Britain arrived as one of the favorites and left after failing to advance out of the round-robin stage. Call that a trial run

- Muirhead was only 19. Getting her chance: Jennifer Jones has been Canada's top-ranked skip since 2005, but the chance to represent her curling-mad country at the Olympics has always eluded her until now. After flonning in the Olympic trials in

2005 and 2009, Jones finally got it right last year with a victory over Sherry Middaugh in the final. Canada's women have made the podium

at all four Olympics since curling returned to the program in 1998.

From Calgary to Sochi: Twentyfive years after her first appearance at the Olympics, United States skip Erika Brown is preparing to make her last.

She took time off from school in 1988 to compete at the Calgary Games as a 15year-old, when curling was just a demonstration sport, and was then part of the U.S. team that failed to get past the round-robin stage in Nagano in 1998.

At 40, she says this is her final shot at winning the Olympics.

Emerging markets: For the ambitious, ever-growing World Curling Federation, it was a major result to see China and Japan come through the Olympic qualifying event and take their places in the women's tournament

They are two rapidly emerging markets of a sport whose strongholds have long been Canada, Scotland and the Scandinavian countries.

#### **OLYMPICS**

#### FIGURE SKATING PREVIEW



MARK BAKER/AP

Canada's Patrick Chan is the three-time men's world champion and will be favored to win the gold medal in men's singles.



BIZUAYEHU TESFAYE/AP Images for Puffs

Americans Meryl Davis and Charlie White are expected to medal in ice dancing, but to get gold they'll likely have to outperforn defending Olympic champions Tessa Virtue and Scott Moir of Canada.

# Japan, Canada bring solid teams to Sochi

By BARRY WILNER The Associated Press

outh Korea's Queen Yuna and America's "Marlie" should be the big headlinpics. Otherwise, there's likely not much on the Russian ice for their countries.

Defending champion Yuna Kim and U.S. ice dancers Meryl Davis and Charlie White — known as Marlie — are heavy favorites for the Sochi Games. They likely will be the only medalists for their nations, too.

Figure skating power lies in Japan and Canada these days, even though it's entirely possible neither nation will win gold in any of the standard events: men's and women's singles, pairs, ice dance.

However, the new team event is another Sochi story.

Canada is loaded in all four disciplines, from three-time men's world champion Patrick Chan to defending Olympic dance champions Tessa Virtue and Scott Moir. Japan is equally strong in the individual competitions, with 2010 women's silver medalist Mao Asada and a trio of potential men's contenders, including Vancouver Games bronze winner Dasisuke Takahashi.

The Americans, led by twotime dance world champs Davis and White, the 2010 Olympic silver medalists, are talking bravely about grabbing team

**"** So it's

just that

last piece

zle that I

need to fit

in and get

everything

smoothly. \*

**Patrick Chan** 

working

of the puz-

about grabbing team gold. But they'll need to overcome a weakness in pairs and two unpredictable men, Jeremy Abbott and Jason Brown, to get on the podium. But the Americans'

best shot for gold clearly lies with the dancing feet of Davis and White. And if they don't get it.

look for Virtue and Moir
— who train in the same
Michigan rink with
Davis and White — to
stand atop the medals
stand again. Ice dance
appears to be a two-couple gig.

Like Virtue and Moir, Kim returns to defend her title. Unlike the Canadians, she took a long hiatus from competition following her mesmerizing performances in Vancouver.

Kim returned last season and won the world title with marks almost as good as in her record-setting Vancouver showing, winning by 20 points. She's trying to be only the third woman (Katarina Witt and Sonja Henie) to win successive Olympic figure skating championships, but had been plagued by a foot injury that forced her out of the Grand Prix series.

Her rivalry with Asada has been one-sided, but Asada is a more seasoned skater now. She also had a triple axel in her repertoire, and will need to nail it every time she tries it to keep up

with a healthy Kim.

American champion Gracie
Gold, 18, seems more likely to
push for the podium in 2018, but
youthful winners are common at
the Games. Kim was 19 when she

won in Vancouver.

Chan is the odds-on choice
among the men, trying for Canada's first gold medal in the
Olympics. No, Brian Orser, Kurt
Browning and Elvis Stojko didn't
manage it.

That puts extreme pressure on Chan, who was upset at the Grand Prix Final by Japan's Yuzuru Hanyu, albeit by less than a point.

He also will be tested by Denis Ten of Kazakhstan and Javier Fernandez of Spain.

Chan wasn't sensational in winning his seventh straight Canadian title.

"If I look back in the history books, Jamie (Sale) and David (Pelletier) didn't have a great nationals before the Salt

Three-time nationals before the Salt world champion Lake City Games," he said, noting that they re- won pairs in the midst of a judg-

won pairs in the midst of a judging scandal that led to the current scoring system. "So it's just that last piece of the puzzle that I need to fit in and get everything working smoothly."

Smooth and stunning would be the description for the top pair, Russia's Tatiana Volosozhar and Maxim Trankov. The world champions are fresh from a European championship victory where their elegance and athleticism were amply displayed.

But they hardly are shooins against Germany's Aliona Savchenko and Robin Szolkowy, the current Grand Prix champs, and Chinese veterans Pang Qing and Tong Jian.

AP Sports Writers Rachel Cohen and Jimmy Golen contributed to this story.

## Name: Spotlight, American hopes on Gold after US Championships

#### FROM BACK PAG

of people. Who is going to leave everything out on the ice? The Olympics is about, 'This is what I have, go ahead and beat it.'"

Gold gave everything she had at the national championships in edging 15-year-old Polina Edmunds and 2010 Olympic fourthplace finisher Mirai Nagasu. But Nagasu was left off the team for the top American skater, Ashley Wagner, who struggled in Boston but was given a spot because of her strong international record.

While Wagner reboots, Gold has taken

Tonya and Nancy and its aftermath, when figure skating was front and center even in non-Olympic years, the sport rarely leaps into the limelight now. But with the Sochi Games about to kick off, people are paying attention to the lutz-and-loop crowd.

over the spotlight. Unlike the days of

In the United States, that usually means focusing on the top woman. Although Wagner could wind up being that skater — Lysacek didn't win the U.S. championships in 2010 before taking the Vancouver title — Gold is in the forefront heading toward Thursday's start of the team event.

"Going to nationals, I was not going to just participate, but to compete, going for the top spot, going for gold," she said. "I dedicated myself to that moment and I was able to hit it pretty well, and I am more than happy with that.

"I think the year is 2014 and it's a new Gracie. With Frank every day after I am done jumping, we just take time to appreciate the nuances and the music and connecting with the audience and judges and have that warmth with my skating, the things that light up the rink."

Gold has leaped onto the scene the past

two years. She and Wagner finished high enough at the 2013 world championships to ensure the American women would have the maximum three spots in the Sochi field. She didn't do much in the Grand Prix series, but came on spectacularly at nationals.

Now, it's on to the Olympics.

"I remember a couple of years ago, I was watching my role models in the Olympics," Gold said. "And now to be that role model, it's so wonderful. You just remember why you do what you do. The passion in your sport is so important."

# **SPORTS**

WINTER OLYMPICS

# What's in a name?

## It could be Gold for Gracie

By Barry Wilner The Associated Press

he big names in women's figure skating at the Sochi Olympics are Yuna Kim and Mao Asada. The best name might belong to the American champion, Gracie Gold.

It certainly will be the most memorable if she can match her moniker by standing atop the podium in a few weeks

Gold won her first national championship in January in Boston with two superb programs. Working with Frank Carroll, who coached Evan Lysacek to the men's title four years ago, Gold has improved exponentially this season.

She will need to continue that rapid growth at the Games, because

#### Inside:

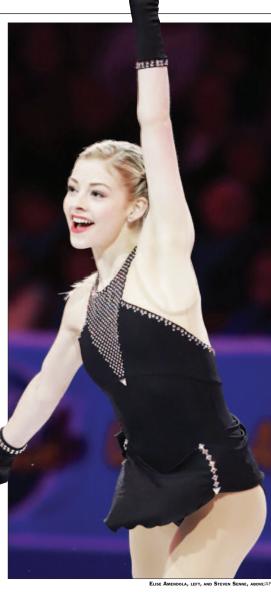
- Capsules, Pages 28-29
- Five things to know about luge, curling events, Page 30

defending champion Kim and silver medalist Asada are imposing opponents.

"There are so many different variables, and the women's field is so good this year," the 18-year-old Gold said. "Yuna Kim and Asada and then all the new kids on the block.

"I think the U.S. definitely has a strong team for the team event, definitely a chance to medal, if not win. I definitely think in singles I have a chance to medal; so do a lot

SEE NAME ON PAGE 31



Top American skater Ashley Wagner, left, fell during the women's free skate at the U.S. Championships in Boston on Jan. 11, opening the door for 18-year-old Gracie Gold, above, to win the competition and go into the Olympics on a high note.

